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Credit union robber still at large

By MARK CAMPBELL
Courier staff report

Madison Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation are investigating an armed robbery that occurred Saturday morning at the Business and Industrial Federal Credit Union on Madison's hilltop.

The holdup took place at about 8:15 a.m. in the lobby of the credit union, at 2118 Lanier Drive, when an unknown male suspect approached a teller, brandished a handgun and demanded money. Authorities did not say how much cash was taken in the holdup or how the suspect arrived at or left the scene.

The suspect, who remains at large, is described as about 6-feet tall and has a stocky, heavyset build. A photo of the suspect wearing a black hoodie, black facemask and dark sunglasses was captured on the bank surveillance system and has been released to the public to assist in solving the case.

Anyone with information on the incident is asked to call Madison Detective Sgt. Ricky Harris at 812-534-4407.

Saturday's robbery was the first involving a bank in Madison since a July 1, 2014, holdup in the lobby of the Jefferson Street drive-through location of the former MainSource Bank in Madison.

The suspects in that holdup were arrested July 16 in Louisiana, after leading police on a 25-mile chase across state lines from a bank robbery in Edora, Arkansas. The husband-and-wife crime team later admitted to four bank robberies in a spree that included North Carolina, Indiana, Tennessee and Arkansas before they were apprehended.



A surveillance system photo capture of the suspect in a Saturday morning robbery at Business and Industrial Federal Credit Union in Madison. Anyone with information on the incident is asked to call Madison Detective Sgt. Ricky Harris at 812-534-4407.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!
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Holiday changes in publication

Because New Year's is on Wednesday this year, we will publish only two newspapers this week, one today (Tuesday) and the other Saturday. We will not have a Thursday edition. This is the same schedule we followed Christmas week.

We will return to our normal Tuesday-Thursday-Saturday publication effective the week of Jan. 5, 2020. For our home-delivery subscribers, your subscription will be extended two extra days to make up for the two Thursdays we won't publish.

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— Curt Jacobs, Publisher

Clifty Park rescue



Madison Fire Department's Clifty Six Rescue truck provides light for Saturday night's rescue of a hiker who was injured and needed help getting out of one of the trails at Clifty Falls State Park.

By MARK CAMPBELL
Courier staff report

A man from Florida was evacuated from one of the trails at Clifty Falls State Park Saturday after he slipped while hiking, aggravated a back injury and needed help getting out as darkness and the threat of heavy weekend rain loomed.

The call initially came in to the 911 dispatch by cell phone as a report of a medical emergency, but

once dispatchers realized where the call had originated — about 2.5 miles into the rugged 4.5-mile Trail 8 — both medical and rescue responders were dispatched, said Robert Black, chief of Madison Township Fire Department.

Black said rescuers went in from multiple trail heads to try to reach the hiker as quickly as possible and then brought the man out on Trail 8 to a command post that had been

set up on nearby Black Road, which allowed some access by ATV.

Rescuers were dispatched at about 5:09 p.m. and the man was out by 8:30 p.m.

Madison Township and Rykers Ridge Fire Department were at the scene as was Madison Fire Department personnel including the Clifty 6 Rescue, park rangers, Department of Natural Resources officers and the King's Daughters' EMS.



Emergency vehicles from Madison Township and Clifty Six fire department, as well as King's Daughters' EMS and others responded to a call involving an injured hiker at Clifty Falls State Park Saturday. The hiker, who was not seriously injured, needed help from about 2.5 miles into a trail after aggravating a back injury and rescue personnel assisted him with a stretcher and ATVs. (Courier staff photos by Mark Campbell)

New county income taxes take effect with the 2020 paychecks

By MAGGIE HILLERY
Courier staff writer

Effective Jan. 1, 2020 Jefferson County's income tax rates will increase from 0.35% to 0.90%.

The increase moves Jefferson County from the county with the lowest personal income taxes in Indiana to the 86th spot among 92 counties.

Jefferson is one of 10 counties in the state that will see changes in 2020 income tax rates.

The Jefferson County Council voted Sept. 10 after a public hearing to add two new county income taxes to fund construction of a 300-bed jail at a cost of \$36.7 million.

A 2017 inspection from the state found the Jefferson County Jail not in compliance with state regulations and, at that time, gave county officials 180 days to come up with a plan to correct the non-compliance. If the council had not taken action when it did in

September, it would have missed deadlines for the taxes to be enacted in 2020, which would have meant bond funds could not be obtained to proceed with a new jail.

On Aug. 13, all seven members of the council had voted unanimously to exercise an option to purchase 50 acres at a cost of \$400,000 to build a

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10 Indiana counties see new 2020 income tax rates

The counties and new rates are:

Cass County: 2.7% (increased from 2.6%)
Decatur County: 2.5% (increased from 2.35%)
Fulton County: 2.68% (increased from 2.38%)
Gibson County: 0.9% (increased from 0.7%)
Hamilton County: 1.1% (increased from 1%)
Henry County: 1.7% (increased from 1.5%)
Jefferson County: 0.9% (increased from 0.35%)
Jennings County: 2.5% (decreased from 3.15%)
Knox County: 1.2% (increased from 1%)
Tippecanoe County: 1.28% (increased from 1.1%)



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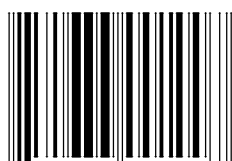
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Nearly 90 homeless after Sunday fire in Griffith

By MICHELLE L. QUINN
(Merrillville) Post-Tribune

As many as 90 people will spend the rest of the holiday season without a home after a fire tore through a 32-unit apartment building in Griffith's Park West Apartments early Sunday morning.

The 4 a.m. fire appears to have started on the second floor, traveling to the north, Highland Fire Chief Bill Timmer said. Because the roof was constructed with about an inch and a half of non-moving material over plywood, firefighters needed to open up holes on the roof's north side to make it easier to extinguish from the outside, he said.

"The fire burned up and out so we let it take its course," Timmer said.

No residents or pets were hurt

in the blaze, and one firefighter received medical attention for a non-life-threatening injury, he said. The fire took about four hours and the efforts of nine area departments to completely extinguish.

"There was also a fire in Cedar Lake we got called down to but we couldn't leave here," Timmer said.

The State Fire Marshal was expected to arrive Monday to assist in the investigation, which as of Sunday morning was ongoing, Griffith Fire Assistant Chief Don Hill said. Maintenance workers, meanwhile, worked Sunday morning to secure the building, which was a total loss.

"These are old buildings, and we were very lucky to not have any fatalities. With building sprinklers, though, (residents are) not going to die," Timmer

said.

Displaced residents were directed to the complex community center to meet with American Red Cross volunteers to arrange for assistance. As of late Sunday morning, they had met with 69 of the 89 people who lived there, said Kristin Marlow-Kellemen, the agency's Northwest Indiana executive director.

The Red Cross was directing people to local hotels — including one that allows pets — while Park West was working to move people in other units on the premises, Marlow-Kellemen said. There were also Disaster Health and Disaster Mental Health volunteers at the ready for people who needed specialized care.

"Apartment fires are just devastating and emotional, so

we have licensed professionals on scene to help people with existing health issues to secure medication and other needs," Marlow-Kellemen said. "We also have mental health people here because a lot of people are in shock, and we'll connect them with ongoing care should they need it."

"People at this point need everything, and they may not want to buy new stuff for a place where they're not planning on staying," Marlow-Kellemen said.

She's also been talking to other groups to figure out a way to secure renters insurance for people, though those talks are still early, she said. She emphasized how crucial rental insurance is for apartment dwellers.

"It's such a small amount of money, and I know that sometimes people can't even afford

that, but it literally is the difference between recovering (from the fire) and not recovering," she said.

Kim Wahls, who lives on the building's north side, said if it wasn't for a friend coming over, she might've well slept through the blaze. As it was, she and her friend watched it from their cars.

"She didn't know but I was coughing and couldn't breathe," said Wahls' friend, who declined to give his name. "Next thing I know, (firefighters) were banging on the door yelling, 'Get out!'"

Wahls and her friend were in the car for about an hour and a half when she looked up and saw the fire pouring out of her second-floor window. The shock hadn't worn off.

"It really hasn't hit yet."



Shane R. Gibson

Scottsburg patrolman charged in domestic battery case

Courier staff report

A City of Scottsburg police officer from Lexington has been arrested by Indiana State Police detectives on a domestic battery complaint.

Shortly after noon Sunday, Indiana State Police Detective Travis Baker and Detective Sgt. Dave Mitchell were contacted in reference to a possible battery that occurred during the early Sunday morning hours at a Lexington, Indiana, residence.

After interviewing the female victim, Detectives Baker and Mitchell met with, and interviewed the suspect, Shane R. Gibson, 33, of Lexington, at the Scottsburg City Police Department where Gibson is employed as a patrol officer. Shane Gibson was off duty and not in uniform at the time of the interview and the alleged incident.

As a result of the investigation, Shane Gibson was arrested on charges of criminal confinement and domestic battery, both level 6 Felonies. Gibson was remanded into the custody at the Washington County Jail.

Utility to retire 2 of 4 remaining coal-fired units

Indiana

INDIANAPOLIS — The Indianapolis utility that operates a large southwestern Indiana power plant environmentalists call a "super polluter" plans to retire two of the station's four coal-fired units by 2023, continuing its shift away from coal power. Indianapolis Power & Light Co. officials outlined their plans for shuttering two units at the utility's massive Petersburg Generating Station as part of a 20-year strategy plan for power generation that all electric utilities are required to file every three years. All four units at the Petersburg station, located about 120 miles southwest of Indianapolis, have run afoul of environmental regulations. The station has racked up more than a dozen environmental violations in the past five years, emitting excess sulfur dioxide, nitrous oxide particulate matter and sulfuric mist, the Indianapolis Business Journal reported. IPL's tentative plans for retiring half of the station's units represent the utility's latest move to reduce its coal footprint. In recent years, IPL stopped using coal at two of its plants — its Harding Street station in Indianapolis and its Eagle Valley station in Martinsville — in favor of natural gas. The Petersburg station is IPL's largest generating station, with a generating capacity of 1,700 megawatts — enough to light up factories, homes and shopping centers across central Indiana. It contains the utility's only remaining coal-consuming power plants. IPL president's and CEO, Vince Parisi, said in written comments that the utility used economics, flexibility, grid reliability and other factors to support "our decision to invest in a more balanced energy mix, which minimizes risk to our customers and takes into account a rapidly-changing energy landscape." The utility, which is a unit of Arlington, Virginia-based AES Corp., has about 490,000 customers in its service territory of Indianapolis and some nearby areas. Other Indiana utilities also are moving to retire old coal-fired units. In July, Duke Energy Indiana, the state's largest electric utility, said it wants to retire all nine of its coal-fired units by 2038 and build two large natural gas plants, along with 700 mega-

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watts of wind energy and 1,650 megawatts of solar energy.

Environmental agency budget loses \$35M

INDIANAPOLIS — Funding for the Indiana agency that oversees hazardous spills and the safety of water and air has been decreasing over the last decade, a report by a nonprofit organization concluded. The Environmental Integrity Project's report also concluded that the slashes in funding for the Indiana Department of Environmental Management happened even as the state government's spending budget increased. IDEM's budget lost nearly \$35 millions in the last decade, accounting for inflation, the report showed. "These cuts happened despite the fact that our economy was growing and our overall state spending was growing," said Indra Frank, the environmental health and water policy director for the Hoosier Environmental Council. "It's not that Indiana couldn't afford to staff an environmental agency." IDEM's budget comes from various sources, which include the state's overall fund, federal money and income from waste permit fees. Companies that emit waste must pay for permits to operate in Indiana under safe water and air guidelines. The budget decreased partly because fewer waste permit fees have been issued, State Budget Director Zac Jackson said. "Hoosiers are emitting fewer pollutants as they become more environmentally conscious," Jackson said in an emailed statement. The report by EIP, which monitors and encourages enforcement of environmental laws, concludes that the hazardous waste management program lost 76% of its budget from 2008 to 2018. IDEM's staffing also dropped by almost 150 employees over those 10 years.

Columbus boy, 5, dies in dirt bike accident

COLUMBUS — A 5-year-old Columbus boy has died after a dirt bike accident, the Indiana Department of Natural Resources said Sunday. Conservation officers are investigating a fatal off-the-road vehicle accident that occurred Saturday in Bar-

tholomew County, officials said. The boy was operating a dirt bike on family property when he allegedly tried to maneuver the bike up an incline and lost control, causing the bike to hit a tree, authorities said. He was unresponsive and taken to a hospital, where he was later pronounced dead. An initial investigation found he was wearing a helmet and other protective safety equipment.

Judge orders city to release public records

A southern Indiana judge has ordered the city of New Albany to release public records sought by three residents who sued the city in a bid to force the records' release. The judge's Dec. 18 order states that the Ohio River city must provide public documents requested in August by the three Floyd County residents, or be fined \$50 per day if it doesn't produce the records within 10 days. The judge also ordered the city to pay the plaintiffs' attorneys fees, which total more than \$2,000, the News and Tribune reported. Irvin Stumler and two other plaintiffs sued the city in August over its failure to respond to their request for records from the city attorney, city controller and city parks director. Stumler said he and the two others are looking forward to seeing the records they've been seeking for months. "We're entitled to see them, any citizen has the right to see what has taken place," he said.

Kentucky

Jim Beam fined \$600K in massive bourbon spill

VERSAILLES — Jim Beam was fined \$600,000 earlier this month after a July warehouse fire sent a nearly 23-mile plume of alcohol into the Kentucky and Ohio rivers, killing fish. The distiller agreed to the fine in a Dec. 6 order from the Kentucky Energy and Environment Cabinet. Jim Beam will also reimburse the state agency \$112,000. The July 3 fire was started when lightning struck a massive barrel warehouse near the Woodford-Franklin County line. The blaze sent flames shooting into the night sky that could be seen for miles and generated so much heat that firetruck lights melted. About 40,000 barrels of aging whiskey were destroyed, with the runoff pouring into nearby Glenns Creek and then downstream into the rivers. The Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources found dead fish along 62 miles of Glenns Creek and the Kentucky River. There were also dead fish in the Ohio River, but Energy and Environment Cabinet spokesman John Mura has described the impact there as "negligible." Beam Suntory, the Chicago-based spirits company that owns Jim Beam, issued a statement saying, "While we were able to minimize impacts to the surrounding environment and wildlife ... we recognize the regrettable and unavoidable impacts of the incident and have been committed to doing what we can to restore the environment. That includes making payments to the state to com-

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a new jail on Madison’s hilltop just days before state inspectors revisited the jail. That commitment put them on a path to the vote for the additional income taxes.

Council members were given a bottom line figure of \$36,727,272 for a new jail. That figure, based on best estimates provided by consultants includes, among other things, hard construction costs, architectural/engineering costs, the land costs and capitalized interest and costs associated with the bonds that will be necessary to finance the project.

The first new tax to begin in 2020 is a countywide tax, referred to as a local income tax, that would be used only for the jail. The proposed rate for that tax is 0.20%. The second tax, also a local income tax, but this one under public safety, was approved by and will be shared with the other incorporated entities in the county — Madison, Hanover, Brooksbury and Dupont. The rate for that tax is 0.35%.

There is an existing local economic development income tax that funded the current jail. That tax of 0.35% was put in place without an expiration date. The total distribution of that tax from the state to the Jefferson County entities was \$2,475,317 for 2019. Jefferson County receives 50.9%; Madison receives 36.9%; Hanover receives 10.9%; Dupont receives 1.05%, and Brooksbury receives 0.25%. The amounts are based on population.

The income tax to begin in 2020 is 0.20% and will end in 22 years. That is estimated to be a total annual distribution from the state of \$1,414,467 with all funds going to the county for the jail.

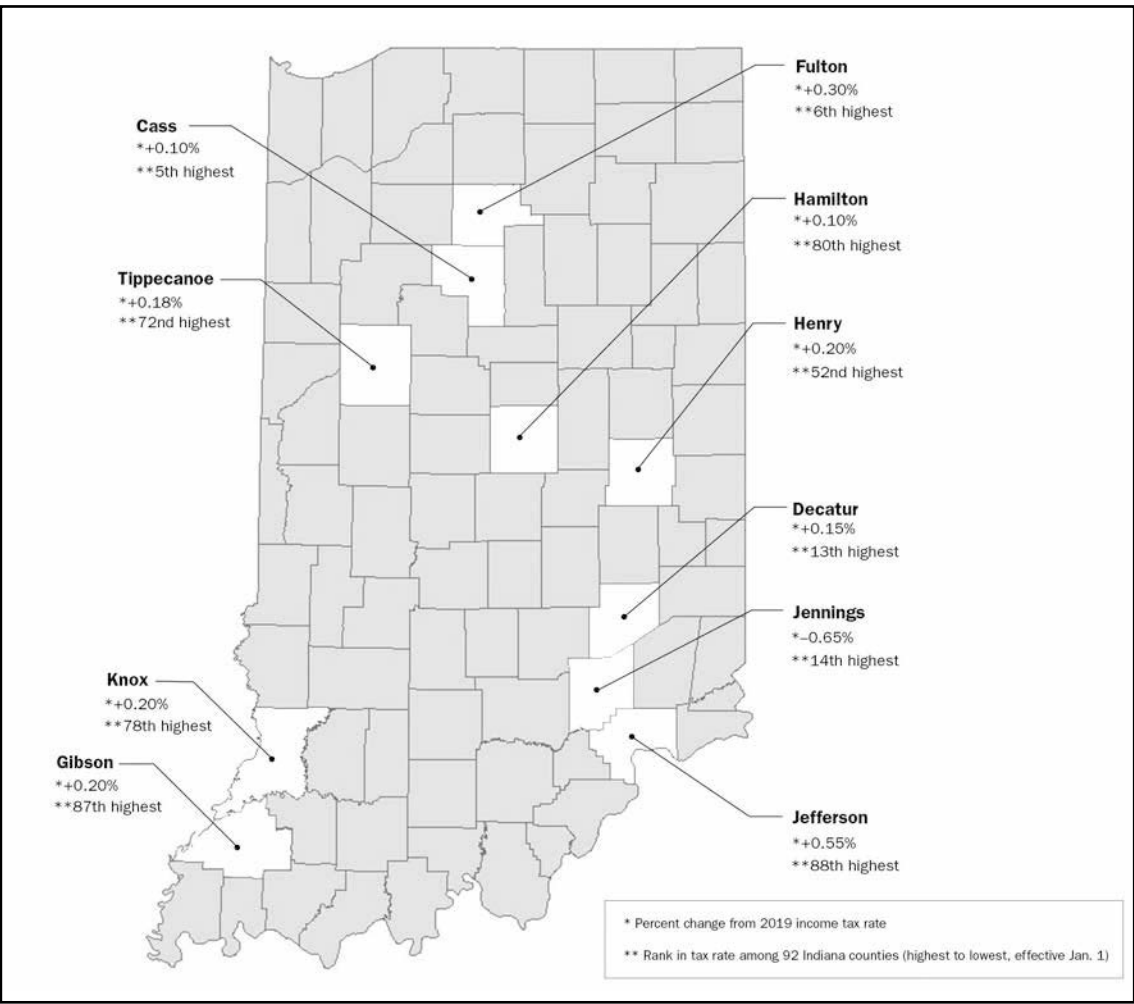
The tax for public safety is 0.35%. The

public safety tax does not have an expiration date and will remain in place unless changed by the local units of government. The public safety tax is estimated to be a total annual distribution from the state of \$2,475,317. Unlike the tax already in place, however, Jefferson County will receive 63.4% or \$1,570,217; Madison will receive 35.2% or \$870,506; Hanover will receive 1.36% or \$33,672; Dupont will receive 0.02% or \$533, and Brooksbury will receive 0.02% or \$389. The amounts are based on population.

Andrew Lanam of George K. Baum & Company, financial consultants for the county, provided council members at the September vote with estimates of how the added taxes would impact a household income of \$35,000, \$51,000 and \$80,000. The median household income for Jefferson County in 2017 was \$51,163. The median is a figure that indicates an equal number of households above and below that number and is not an average.

Lanam emphasized that the numbers he was providing were based on adjusted gross income and that taxpayers who are exempt now would not be affected. He said that for a household with an annual income of \$35,000, the estimated annual increase would be \$192.50; for an annual household income of \$51,163 — the median income for Jefferson County — the annual increase would be \$281, and for a household with an income of \$80,000, the annual increase would be \$440.

The county has now selected an architect for the jail — DLZ Indiana — and is working on details of the contract with the firm so the contract can be approved by the county. Once the contract is approved, work will begin on specifics of the jail, which will result in a more exact cost.



For more information

Local income tax rates are determined by county officials and reported to the Indiana Department of Revenue, where they are reviewed for compliance with Indiana law. These tax rates affect businesses with employees who live or work in any of these counties and have income tax withholdings. County tax rates for individuals are based on an employee’s Indiana county of residence as of Jan. 1, 2020.

The list of rates for all Indiana counties is available on the DOR website in Departmental Notice No. 1 at www.dor.in.gov by clicking on “Legal Resources” select “Tax Library” then selecting “Departmental Notices.”

Employers with questions about these county income tax rates can contact DOR at 317- 233-4016, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., EST.

Tougher fines asked in lake spill

HAMMOND, Indiana (AP) — The leaders of 18 environmental and civic groups have joined a push for U.S. Steel to face tougher penalties over a spill of hazardous substances from a northwestern Indiana plant into Lake Michigan.

The groups, which include the Alliance for the Great Lakes, Save the Dunes and the Hoosier Environmental Council, submitted a letter to a federal judge in Hammond arguing that the fine of about \$600,000 included in a proposed settlement with the U.S. Justice Department is inadequate.

Federal officials reached the settlement with U.S. Steel last year in response to an April 2017

spill at the plant into the Burns Waterway, a Lake Michigan tributary about 30 miles east of Chicago. That spill involved the release of 902 pounds of hexavalent chromium, a toxic heavy metal that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has said might be carcinogenic if ingested, while the plant was permitted to discharge about a half pound per day, according to court documents.

The spill prompted the temporary closure of several beaches in and around the Indiana Dunes National Park and a water treatment plant at nearby Ogden Dunes temporarily stopped drawing water from from the lake as a

precaution.

The Justice Department in November asked U.S. District Court Judge Theresa Springmann to move ahead with approving the settlement, saying that it included “stringent and detailed requirements related to the operation and maintenance of the facility.”

The deal also includes U.S. Steel reimbursing the EPA \$350,000 for its response costs and the National Park Service more than \$250,000 for its response costs and damages. U.S. Steel promised to take steps to improve its wastewater processing monitoring system to resolve alleged violations of the Clean Water Act and Indiana law.

IU tests license plate cameras

BLOOMINGTON, Indiana (AP) — Indiana University has started a yearlong test of using license plate reading cameras for parking regulation enforcement on its Bloomington campus.

The project that began in November involves a camera mounted on a vehicle and comes as campus officials plan a switch from hang-tag parking passes to a system involving license plates registered by the parking permit holder.

“It’s not really a pilot to evaluate if we want it,” campus parking operations manager Amanda Turnipseed

told The (Bloomington) Herald-Times. “It’s to figure out how to do it the most efficient way and with the least amount of hardship on our end users.”

Parking officials will consider issues such as how to track whether more than one vehicle registered to a permit are on campus at the same time and how to account for multiple people sharing a permit.

License plate readers are already used for parking enforcement in some cities and at other universities. Purdue University has been using such a system for a

couple years, Turnipseed said.

Information collected from license plate scans will only be used for comparisons with IU’s parking database and analysis to help determine what the university will ask potential vendors to provide when bids are requested. IU is also testing a fixed-camera system mounted at the entryways of two permit-only parking garages.

“We’re not storing any of this data because it will not be utilized for enforcement purposes,” Turnipseed said.

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OBITUARIES

Chris Bell

Christen Bell

Christopher “Chris” Keith Bell, 45, and Christen Dyan Bell, 45, of Bedford, Kentucky, died Thursday, Dec. 26, 2019.

Chris Bell was born March 1, 1974, in Louisville. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, going to Florida with friends and family and any time he could spend with his family, his wife, three children, two grandchildren and grand-dog. He enjoyed working with his brother to showcase his own version of art in their concrete business.

Christen Bell was born Sept. 13, 1974, in Louisville. She enjoyed spending time with her family and friends, especially her two grandchildren. Her hobbies included shopping, getting her nails done with her daughters, reading, writing, fishing, drinking a Beam and Coke with her husband any time they went out to eat. She spent most of her time working at her job, creating memories with the wonderful people that welcomed her into their work families. She had worked since 2015 at Fast Lane BP in Milton, before that with her husband in their concrete business and earlier in life for 12 years in the cafeteria at St. Francis School in Goshen, Kentucky.

They are survived by their three daughters Breanna Willis of Carrollton, Kentucky, Taylor Bell of Smithfield, Kentucky, and Katielee Bell of Bedford, and their second daughter by choice, Nixb Buchanan; two granddaughters, and their grand-dog, Gracie Girl.

Other survivors include Christen Bell’s mother Dale LaChance of Omega, Kansas, and Chris Bell’s mother, Mildred Bell of Bedford, Kentucky; Christen Bell’s father, Kevin LaChance of Omega, Kansas; many brothers and sisters including Edgar Gene Bell, Kimberly Sowders, Steven Bell, Brian Whitaker, Timmy Singer, Tracy Hennigh, and Will LaChance, and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his father, Aden Bell Jr., and his uncles, Stanley Bullock and Ray Bullock. She was preceded in death by her father, Herman Harvey.

Memorial services will be Saturday, Jan. 4, 2020, at 6 p.m. at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre in Madison, Indiana. Interment will be Sunday at 2 p.m. at the Bedford Cemetery in Bedford. Friends and family may visit Saturday from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made in memory of Chris and Christen to their Remembrance Fund. Cards are available at the funeral home. Online condolences, www.morgan-nay.com

Steven Demaree

Steven Neal Demaree, 60, of Madison, Indiana, died Wednesday, Dec. 25, 2019, at his home.

He was born Jan. 15, 1959, in Madison to Stacy

Neal and Joyce Ann Hughes Demaree. He grew up in Pleasant Ridge and was a 1977 graduate of Madison Consolidated High School. He attended Indiana University and the Brooksbury United Methodist Church in Brooksbury, Indiana. He worked early in life for Ralph Storm and Tri-Point Oil Company and drove for White Star Bus Lines. He then began a career in tool and die after working many years for Clifty Engineering. He found enjoyment in farming, fishing, hunting and being with his family.

He is survived by his daughters, Sarah Elizabeth Demaree Barnes of Memphis, Indiana, and Rachael Nicole Demaree McLaughlin and Abigail Kane Demaree of Madison; the mother of his daughters, Judy Sullivan Demaree of Madison; two sisters, Marla Ann Demaree Arnold of Madison and Deadra L. Demaree Anderson of Chicago; three grandsons and several nephews and nieces and other relatives.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Funeral services will be Friday, Jan. 3, 2020, at 11 a.m. at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre in Madison. Interment will follow in the Brooksbury Cemetery in Brooksbury. Friends may visit Thursday, Jan. 4, 2020 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. and Friday from 9 a.m. until the time of service at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer’s Association or the American Heart Association. Cards are available at the funeral home. Online condolences, www.morgan-nay.com

Joanna Girod

Joanna Joyce Girod, 3, of Allensville, Indiana, died Friday, Dec. 27, 2019, at her residence.

She was born Sept. 13, 2016, at her home in Allensville, to Samuel D. and Polly L. Bontrager Girod. She was a member of the Hope Baptist Church in Dillsboro, Indiana, and enjoyed playing outside, listening to nursery and Sunday school songs, going to church, sitting in her chair coloring and playing with her siblings.

Survivors include her parents; siblings Rebecca Rose Girod, Malachi August Girod, Loretta Lovina Girod, Jethro George Girod and Deborah Dawn Girod, all of Allensville; her paternal-grandparents, Daniel and Miriam Girod of Pleasant, Indiana; her maternal-grandparents, Leroy and Katie Bontrager of Minnesota; her paternal great-grandparents, August Girod of Owingsville, Kentucky, and Salome Eicher of Reading, Michigan; her maternal great-grandmother, Esther Bontrager of Lagrange, Indiana; and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her paternal great-grandparents, Elnora Girod and Jacob Eicher and her maternal great-grandparents, Joe Bontrager and David and Polly Borntrager.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31, 2019, at the Hope Baptist Church

in Dillsboro. Interment will follow in the Lee Cemetery, on Nell Lee Road, Fairview, Indiana. Visitation is from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday, Dec. 30, 2019, at the church.

Memorial contributions may be made to Joanna Joyce Girod Memorial Fund c/o Haskell & Morrison Funeral Home. Cards are available at the funeral home or online at www.haskell-morrison.com

Eugene James

Eugene James, 76, of Bedford, Kentucky, died Sunday, Dec. 29, 2019.

He was born March 10, 1943, to Elmer and Mida Lowe James in Pikeville, Kentucky. He was a devoted member of Bedford Baptist Church, helped to build the new church and, even with his health declining, built a new bell tower for the church. He was the owner of James Welding Service Inc. from 1974 until he retired in 2009.

He is survived by his wife, Patty Sue Gibson James of Bedford; his children, Debbie Perry of Bedford, Gregory Neal James of LaGrange, Kentucky; a sister and brother, Ramonia Jennings of Pikeville, Kentucky, and Marvin James of Milton; six grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; two great-grandsons, and several family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Friday, Jan. 3, 2020, at Bedford Baptist Church in Bedford. Visitation will be from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday and from 9 a.m. until the time of service at the church.

Memorial donations may be made to Bedford Baptist Church. Envelopes will be available at the church.

Ransdell Funeral Home in Bedford is in charge of arrangements. Online condolences, www.ransdellfuneral.com

Roberta Kirk

Roberta Mays Davis Kirk, 90, of Hanover, Indiana, died Sunday, Dec. 29, 2019, at the Hanover Health & Rehab Center in Hanover.

She was born March 21, 1929, in Breathitt County, Kentucky, to William Morgan and Ora Pearl King Mays. Her family later settled in Saluda, Indiana. She graduated from Hanover High School, attended business school and took classes to be a nursing assistant. She was first united in marriage to Russell O. Davis. She was the owner of the Log Cabin Inn in Hanover for several years in the 1960s and also owned and operated several apartment houses. Russell Davis died in 1961 and she later married Carl Franklin Kirk, who died in 1979. She retired from King’s Daughters Hospital in 1982 as a nursing tech. She enjoyed visiting with family and friends. She also found enjoyment reading mysteries, working word puzzles, sewing and crocheting. She

was of the Baptist faith and had been a member of the Hanover VFW Auxiliary.

She is survived by her daughter, Rusella A. Schmidlap of Lexington, Indiana; her sister, Patricia Schuring of Madison, Indiana; a granddaughter; a great-grandson; and several nieces, nephews, cousins and other relatives.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her first husband and her second husband; three sisters, Wilma Mays, Rachael Ann Hawk and Rebecca L. “Becky” Brawner, and one brother, William Keith “Bill” Mays.

There will be private family services at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre in Madison. Interment will follow in the Crown Hill Cemetery in New Washington, Indiana. Private family visitation was held at the funeral home. Online condolences, www.morgan-nay.com

Pamela Stewart

Pamela J. Stewart, 70, of Carrollton, Kentucky, died Sunday, Dec. 29, 2019, at Hickory Creek Healthcare of Madison. Arrangements will be announced by the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre in Madison, Indiana.

WJ Turner

WJ Turner, 79, of Madison, Indiana, died Saturday, Dec. 28, 2019, at River Terrace Health Campus in Madison.

He was born May 18, 1940, in Garrard, Kentucky, to Tole and Georgia Higgins Turner. He retired from Credence Contractors as a superintendent. He enjoyed boating, fishing and collecting. He cherished his time with family above all else and enjoyed attending church, auctions, his Tina dogs and watching westerns.

He is survived by his wife, Dessie, of Madison; three daughters, Darlene Dougherty, of Rushville, Indiana; Phyllis Thompson, of Jacksonville, Alabama, and Pam Kieninger, of Columbus, Indiana; a sister, Phyllis Levine, of Rushville, four grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Memorial services will be 4 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 4, 2020, at Kingdom Hall of Jehovah’s Witnesses on Madison’s hilltop.

The family requests in leau of flowers, that memorial contributions be made to the funeral home to help with expenses. Contributions may be made at the Lytle Welty Funeral Homes or at lytlewelty.com.

Velva Webster

Velva Marie Bird Hatton Webster, 85, of Madison, Indiana, died Friday, Dec. 27, 2019, at King’s Daughters’ Hospital in Madison.

She was born July 6, 1934, in Milton, Kentucky, to Oscar William and Hazel C. Hamilton Bird. She grew up in Trimble County and was a 1952 graduate of Milton High School. She

moved to Jefferson County in 1953 and was united in marriage to Robert Hatton and they had a son and a daughter. She retired in 1997 after working for the U.S. Shoe Corporation for 15 years and for the Madison Consolidated School System for eight years. She was a faithful member of the Mt. Carmel United Methodist Church in Milton. In 1989 she married Robert C. Webster. She enjoyed playing cards, going to yard sales, gardening, canning, cooking and being with her family.

She is survived by one son, Thomas E. Hatton of Lexington, Indiana; a stepdaughter, Debra Lynn Mayhew of Bradenton, Florida; a stepson, Tony L. Webster of Madison; a half-sister, Mildred Bird Ridgeway of Oakridge, California; and 13-grandchildren, numerous great-grandchildren and several nieces, nephews and other relatives.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband Robert C. “Bob” Webster; her daughter, Patsy Elaine Howard; her stepson, Robert Donald Webster; her brother, Gayle D. Bird, and her half-brother, William D. Bird.

Funeral services will be Thursday, Jan. 2, 2019, at 11 a.m. at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre in Madison. Interment will follow in the Grandview Memorial Gardens near Madison. Visitation will be Wednesday from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. and from 9 a.m. Thursday until the time of service at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society. Cards are available at the funeral home. Online condolences, www.morgan-nay.com

JEFFERSON SHERIFF

ARRESTS

Friday, December 27
11:32 p.m. Britny Alexandria McDonald, arrested on a local warrant.

CRIME

Thursday, December 26

2:53 p.m. Theft in the 100 block of East LaGrange Road, Hanover. Arrest made.

7:04 p.m. Suspicious person or circumstance in the 200 block of West Horizon Drive.

7:52 p.m. Theft in the 1000 block of West JPG

Woodfill Road.

Friday, December 27
3:38 a.m. Protective order violation in the 500 block of Hickory Drive, Hanover.

3:48 a.m. Breaking and entering into a residence in the 3000 block of Woodside Drive.

1:03 p.m. Juvenile problem in the 3000 block of West Black Road.

1:22 p.m. Transport to Carroll County Jail, Carrollton, Kentucky.

2:57 p.m. Abduction in the 6000 block of North Jake Gayle Road, Deputy.

3:39 p.m. Suicide attempt or suicidal person in Dupont.

8:12 p.m. Civil dispute in the 6000 block of South Saluda Paynesville Road, Hanover.

9:45 p.m. Suspicious person or circumstance in the 300 block of West Skyline Drive.

10:45 p.m. Threats or threatening behavior in the 2000 block of North Borcharding Road.

10:29 p.m. Attempt to serve a warrant in the 6000 block of North Jake Gayle Road, Deputy.

11:32 p.m. Attempt to serve a warrant in the 1000 block of Esplano Drive. Arrest made.

11:57 p.m. Case follow-up in the 2000 block of North Borcharding Road.

Saturday, December 28

1:01 a.m. Attempt to serve a warrant in the 6000 block of West State Road 256.

6:43 p.m. Burglar alarm in the 6000 block of North Graham Road.

9:52 p.m. Suspicious person or circumstance on Jefferson Street.

Sunday, December 29
2:05 a.m. Burglar alarm in the 200 block of West Main Street.

2:17 a.m. Unwanted subject in the 100 block of South Main Cross Street, Hanover.

TRAFFIC

Thursday, December 26

6:03 a.m. Car v. deer accident on State Road 62 east of Copeland Ridge Road.

7:26 a.m. Property damage accident on East Buchele Road.

5:57 p.m. Unknown accident in the 10000 block of West State Road 256, Lexington.

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Charlie’s Beat

Serious music lover has come to the right place

By CHARLIE ROHLFING

Jack Wilhelm moved to Madison from Louisville in 2008, drawn by the beauty of Chautauqua weekend, as so many people are. Local realtors say there’s always an uptick in interest right after Chautauqua. But Jack is one of the few who took the big step and made the move.

And while he was initially attracted to our small town charm, he quickly discovered a music scene unlike anything he would have expected in such a small town.

“I’m a huge fan of just about all types of music,” Jack said, “so I was instantly drawn to the festivals. Then I quickly saw what was going on at the many bars and other venues, like Red Bike Hall. I knew I’d come to the right place.

“Then a few years ago I was asked to join the Ohio River Valley Folk Society, which was the non-profit fundraising arm of RiverRoots Festival. I became treasurer, and it’s since evolved to become the Kindred Folk Society.

“Our mission is to sponsor and produce musical and other arts and cultural offerings in the community. We have an annual concert series, plus we sponsor youth outreach performances at area schools and libraries.

“We just had our first show of the concert series last week-end featuring the Tillers out of



Jack Wilhelm

Cincinnati. I’m very excited about our next show, Bobby Bare Jr. He’s one of my favorite performers. He’s currently the guitarist for Guided By Voices, and he doesn’t do many solo shows, so I didn’t think he’d say yes. But I shot him an email and he agreed!

“Bobby Bare Sr. is often

regarded as the father of the outlaw country movement back in the 1970s, and he’s in the Country Music Hall of Fame. But Junior has always been more accessible and low profile. It’s a dream come true getting him to Madison. The show is Jan. 25th at the Red Bike.

THIS WEEK IN MUSIC

New Years Eve:

Elks— Jimmy Davis Band
American Legion — The Faze
Moose — Dallas Moore with Mark Kinnard
Riverboat Inn — Amy Noel & Joe Perkinson
Off Broadway Taproom — Rusty Bladen
VFW — Hot Wired

Friday, January 3:

Off Broadway Taproom — (To Be Announced)
Rembrandt’s — Leonard Miller at the piano
Red Roaster — Chestnuts (6 p.m.)

Saturday, January 4:

Mad Paddle Brewery — Charlie & Margo (7 p.m.)
Off Broadway Taproom — (To Be Announced)
Thomas Family Winery — (To Be Announced)
Rembrandt’s — Leonard Miller at the piano
Hippies Music in Vernon — Dusty Road Band
Goodwill Conservation Club — Bluegrass (5 p.m.)

Sunday, January 5:

Off Broadway Taproom — Davy or Daryl

“The other shows in the series are Michael Cleveland on Feb. 22, Joan Shelley on March 14, Wayne ‘The Train’ Hancock on April 3, and Monroeville on May 1.

“Tickets are available through redbicyclehall.com. You can also get a season ticket for all the remaining shows and save some money. I have to say, I’m really excited by the quality and ‘national-ness’ of our line-up this year.

“Another cool thing we’re doing for the first time is offering memberships in the

Kindred Folk Society for \$50. It’s a great way to support live music here in our community, plus you get a cool T-shirt. As an added bonus, we’re having a members-only special show in May. The band is yet to be announced.

“Kindred Folk Society has also started putting on small music-related film festivals. A couple years ago we screened a series of concert films, and this year we’re looking at a new independent movie called ‘Mountain Minor’ that’s been getting a lot of buzz. Every-

body should keep an eye out for that.

“Overall I think the music scene here in Madison is hot right now. It seems like a lot of people are starting to coordinate their efforts and work toward the same goal. I also think the new Roostertail Festival has raised everybody’s game. Those guys are setting the bar for quality music and a well-run festival.”

HOT TIP OF THE WEEK:

There’s big news on the Madison Music Scene this week. Mad Paddle Brewery is starting up Saturday night live music! That means there are at least four, and usually five or six places downtown featuring live music every Saturday. The shows at Mad Paddle will start at 7 p.m., so you can go enjoy a fresh craft beer, listen to some music, and still make the later shows at Off Broadway, Thomas Family Winery or Red Bicycle Hall. This Saturday at Mad Paddle will be yours truly, Charlie Rohlfing, and Margo Watkins. Come and join us for this inaugural show. We have some fun songs planned!

Charlie Rohlfing is a retired advertising man and partner in The Red Bicycle Hall music venue. Look for his distinctive fedora bobbing above the crowd, anywhere live local music is happening.

Record

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agency on southbound Michigan Road.

4:49 p.m. Animal problem in the 2000 block of Tiger Lily Lane.

6 p.m. Assist other department in the 1000 block of Franklin Drive.

8:08 p.m. Security check in the 200 block of West Main Street.

9:31 p.m. Assist other department in the 1000 block Crozier Avenue.

11:20 p.m. Consensual encounter in the 100 block of East Second Street.

Saturday, December 28

7:54 a.m. Assist other department in the 2000 block of Lanier Drive.

9:40 a.m. Animal bites or attacks on Hooten Boulevard and Michigan Road. Citation issued.

11:58 a.m. Assist other department in the 100 block of Taft Drive.

3:37 p.m. Item or article found in the 400 block of East Main Street.

9:53 p.m. Assist other agency in the 300 block of Jefferson Street.

10:06 p.m. Argument in the 2000 Kennedy Drive.

10:11 p.m. Item or article in the 300 block of West Main Street.

11:33 p.m. Assist other agency in the 400 block of East Fourth Street.

HANOVER POLICE

ARRESTS

Friday, December 27

2:45 p.m. Eugene Thomas Boswell, 22, Homer, arrested on charges of possession of paraphernalia, possession of methamphetamine, operator never licensed and wanted on a Rush County warrant for failure to appear.

CRIME

Thursday, December 26

8:41 a.m. Case follow-up in the 6000 block

of South Saluda Paynesville Road.

9:44 a.m. Theft in the 100 block of East LaGrange Road.

10:49 a.m. Wanted person in the 100 block of Jackson Lane. Arrest made.

2:06 p.m. Case follow-up in the 100 block of Main Cross Street.

2:53 p.m. Theft in the 100 block of East LaGrange Road. Arrest made.

Friday, December 27

11:51 a.m. Theft on Pine Ridge Road.

1:16 p.m. Criminal recklessness in the 400 block of Gray Street.

1:38 p.m. Fight without weapons in the 100 block of South Main Cross Street.

2:50 p.m. Theft in the 400 block of West LaGrange Road.

5:30 p.m. Juvenile problem on LaGrange

Road.

TRAFFIC

Friday, December 27

12:52 p.m. Traffic stop in the 400 block of East LaGrange Road. Warning issued.

2:45 p.m. Traffic stop on Thompson Road. Arrest made.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Thomas J. Ringwald to CottageGreen, LLC, land parcel.

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Rachel Kathrina Shields to Jeffrey W. Shields, 124 North Sycamore Street, Hanover.

Cathy S. Hale to Elizabeth Morrison, 1444 Crozier Avenue.

Leameal J. and Patri-

cia A. Davis to Mike E. Cardwell, 295 North Herford Lane.

Michael L. New to Cool Cash, Inc., 4407 West Ten Cent Road.

Carolyn M. Markwood to Ashley L. Ball, 1191 East County Road 400 North.

Mary Patricia Stanford to Linda M. Chandler, 322 Elmhurst Drive.

Shirley A. Bacon and E. Miles Bacon to Shirley A. Bacon, 345 Bellaire Drive.

William L. Demaree and Betty K. Demaree to Brian L. Marshall, 113 and 111 Walnut Street.

Charles P. and Susan A. O’Neal to Kenneth R. Sizemore Jr., 8765 West Jones Road, Lexington.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Tyler W. Christman, 27, 336 Fairmount Drive, and Rachel J. Parker, 27, 614 West U.S. Highway 50, Versailles.

Jared Andrew Nielson, 21, 65 Lake Lorraine Circle, Shalimar, Florida and Mallory Danielle Sheward, 20, 8692 East State Road 50, Canaan.

George Welsh, 62, and Regina James, 55, both of 6367 North County Road 800 West.

Joshua Ryan Morris, 30, 3773 East Geyman Road, and Jessica Ann Neace, 23, 2998 South State Road 62, Hanover.

Brent Morgan, 38, and Mary Frazier, 35, both of 633 Miles Ridge Road.

128 law enforcement officer fatalities nationwide in 2019

From National Law Officers Memorial Fund

WASHINGTON —The number of law enforcement professionals nationwide who died in the line of duty in 2019 decreased 18% over the previous year according to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund, a nonprofit group that has long tracked officer fatalities.

The Memorial Fund announced in its 2019 report that 128 federal, state, local, tribal and territorial officers died in 2019, representing an 18% decrease over the 157 officers who died in 2018.

Firearms-related fatalities claimed 49 officers in 2019, a 6% decrease compared to the 52 officers in 2018. Of the 49 officer deaths, eight officers were killed responding to domestic disturbance or public disturbance calls. Seven deaths occurred while officers were attempting to place an individual under arrest. Seven officers were killed while conducting investigative activity. Six officers were ambushed in 2019. Six officers were killed

while responding to a robbery. Four officers were killed while serving felony warrants and engaging in tactical activity.

Handguns were the leading type of firearm used against law enforcement in 2019. Of the 49 officer fatalities, 27 officers were shot and killed with a handgun; seven were shot and killed with a rifle and one was killed with a shotgun.

Texas had the highest number of fatalities with 17 officers. New York had 11 deaths, followed by California with nine and Alabama with seven. Georgia, Illinois, and Tennessee each had six deaths. Florida and New Jersey each had five, followed by Louisiana, Mississippi, and Washington each with four deaths. Ohio and Colorado each had three deaths. Eighteen states and the District of Columbia recorded no line of duty deaths in 2019.

Of the 2019 fallen officers, 119 were male and nine were female. The median age was 43 years with an average length of 14 years of service. On average, each officer left behind two children.

Let Us Pause to Honor the Memory of

Roberta Mays Davis Kirk



Mrs. Roberta Mays Davis Kirk, age 90, of Hanover, Indiana entered this life on March 21, 1929 in Breathitt County, Kentucky. She was the loving daughter of the late William Morgan and Ora Pearl King Mays. Her family later settled in Saluda, Indiana. She graduated from Hanover High School. She attended business school and took courses and classes to be a nursing assistant. She was first united in marriage to Russell O. Davis and this happy union was blessed with a daughter, Russella. She was the owner of the Log Cabin Inn in Hanover for several years in the 1960's and also owned and operated several apartment houses. Russell was killed by a drunk driver on April 22, 1961 and She later married Carl Franklin Kirk and he died in 1979. She retired from King's Daughters Hospital in 1982 as a nursing tech. Roberta enjoyed visiting with family and friends. She also found enjoyment reading mysteries, working word search puzzles, sewing and crocheting. She was of the Baptist faith and had been a member of the Hanover VFW Auxiliary. Roberta died on Sunday, December 29, 2019, at 9:42a.m. at the Hanover Health & Rehab Center in Hanover, Indiana.

A LOVING FAMILY

Roberta will be missed by her loving daughter, Rusella A. Schmidlap and her husband Gary of Lexington, Indiana; her granddaughter, Tara Schmidlap Schickel and her husband, David of Memphis, Indiana; her great grandson, David "Trey" L. Schickel, III; her sister, Patricia Schuring of Madison, Indiana; her sister in law, Gwen Mays of Hanover, Indiana; several nieces, nephews, cousins and other relatives. She was preceded in death by her father, William Morgan Mays, died in July 1961, her mother, Ora Pearl King Mays, died August 31, 1984, her first husband, Russell O. Davis, died April 22, 1961, her second husband, Carl Franklin Kirk, died June 11, 1979, her sisters, Wilma Mays, Rachael Ann Hawk, died December 12, 2016 and her husband, Preston died March 14, 2015, Rebecca L. "Becky" Brawner, died June 10, 2019 and her husband, Jerry died April 22, 2014, and her brother, William Keith "Bill" Mays, died October 30, 2006.

PRIVATE FUNERAL CEREMONY

Private family services by Scott Davis at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, Indiana. Interment will follow in the Crown Hill Cemetery in New Washington, Indiana.

PRIVATE VISITATION

Private family visitation was held at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, Indiana. Online condolences, www.morgan-nay.com

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Let Us Pause to Honor the Memory of

Mrs. Velva Marie Bird Hatton Webster



Mrs. Velva Marie Bird Hatton Webster, age 85, of Madison, Indiana, entered this life on July 6, 1934 in Milton, Kentucky. She was the loving daughter of the late, Oscar William and Hazel C. Hamilton Bird. She was raised in Trimble County and was a 1952 graduate of Milton High School. She moved to Jefferson County in 1953 and was united in marriage on November 12, 1953 to Robert Hatton in North Vernon at the Baptist parsonage. This union was blessed with a daughter, Patsy Elaine and a son, Thomas E. She retired in 1997 having worked for the U.S. Shoe Corporation in the packing department for 15 years and for the Madison Consolidated School System for eight years as an aide. She was a faithful member of the Mt. Carmel United Methodist Church in Milton, Kentucky. On March 18, 1989 at the Kent Christian Church she was united in marriage to Robert C. Webster. Velva enjoyed playing cards, going to yard sales, gardening, canning, cooking and being with her family. Velva died on Friday, December 27, 2019, at 8:20 p.m. at the King's Daughters' Hospital in Madison, Indiana.

A LOVING FAMILY

Velva will be missed by her loving son, Thomas E. Hatton of Lexington, Indiana; her son in law, Gary Howard of Deputy, Indiana; her step daughter, Debra Lynn Mayhew and her husband, Dirk of Bradenton, Florida; her step son, Tony L. Webster and his wife, Amy of Madison, Indiana; 13-grandchildren; numerous great grandchildren; her half sister, Mildred Bird Ridgeway of Oakridge, California; several nieces, nephews and other relatives. She was preceded in death by her father, Oscar William Bird, her mother, Hazel C. Hamilton Bird, her husband of 24 years, Robert C. "Bob" Webster, died October 28, 2013, her daughter, Patsy Elaine Howard, died February 19, 2017, her step son, Robert Donald Webster, died April 17, 1997, and her half brother, William D. Bird and her brother, Gayle D. Bird.

FUNERAL CEREMONY

Funeral services will be conducted on Thursday, January 2, 2019, at, 11:00 a.m., by Pastor Dianne Reistroffer at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, Indiana. Interment will follow in the Grandview Memorial Gardens, 9306 North US 421 in Madison, Indiana.

VISITATION

Friends may visit Wednesday from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. and from 9:00 a.m. Thursday until the time of service at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, Indiana.

MEMORIAL EXPRESSIONS

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre's of Madison and Hanover. Online condolences, www.morgan-nay.com

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BACK-TO-BACK COUNTY CHAMPS



COUNTY CHAMPS: Madison defeated Switzerland County on Saturday at Salm Gym to win its second-straight Jefferson County Invitational Championship. The Cubs' Luke Miller (below, 12) and Mason Welsh (24) battle with Switzerland's Landon Wilks for rebound. (Staff photos by David Campbell)

Madison holds off Switzerland at end to win JCIT title

Southwestern places 3rd, Trimble 6th

By **ROB LAFARY**
Courier Staff Writer
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Madison dominated its two opponents on the first day of the Jefferson County Invitational Tournament Friday but Saturday night's championship proved to be a challenge as the Cubs held on for a thrilling 61-57 win over Switzerland County at Salm Gym.

The Cubs defeated Henryville in their Friday opener by 23 points and followed it up that night with a dominating 27-point win over Trimble County. But despite being a heavy favorite heading into Saturday's title game, Madison head coach Sherron Wilkerson knew Switzerland County would pose a problem. The Pacers battled the entire way and nearly pulled off a shocking upset in the process.

"Playing two games yesterday at such a high level is tough but getting ready for a third game tonight with such little prep time is even more difficult," Wilkerson said. "You get to a championship and you have to bring your 'A' game. We showed a lot of heart and perseverance. We hung in there and pulled it out."

Madison appeared to have finally pulled away from the pesky Pacers, leading 51-39 with 5:52 left in the game but the Swiss proved they weren't done just yet.

A 6-0 run on five points by Patrick Stow and a free throw by Coby Chase cut the deficit to six and the game stayed within two possessions through the 2:27 mark when two Jackson Falconberry free throws put Madison up 57-51. But Switzerland County again struck with a 6-0 run.

After layups by Zach Weaver and Damian Breeck, Breeck was fouled

on a shot with 1:31 left and calmly sank two free throws to knot the game 57-57.

But the Cubs kept their composure and went right back to work on their end of the floor. Luke Ommen drove to the bucket and sank a shot off the glass for the go-ahead basket and the Pacers managed just one more try at a winner. Breeck got a wide open look from the perimeter but the potential game-winner rattled off the rim, allowing a free throw each by Kaden Oliver and Falconberry in the final 30 seconds to put the game away.

"I told the guys going into tonight that we had some fans who thought we were going to win by 40 points and I said no we're not," Wilkerson said. "I said it's going to be a dog fight until the end and sure enough it was. I definitely want to give kudos to that Switzerland County team. It's a great group of players and they are extremely well coached. They were ready to play us."

While there was no satisfaction in a loss, Switzerland County came away knowing they had again proved themselves after knocking off Southwestern on Friday morning and nearly erasing a 17-point deficit against Class A No. 13 Morristown in the afternoon before falling by seven.

The Pacers stormed out to a 9-0 lead against the Cubs after five points by Breeck and a bucket each by Chase and Weaver before Madison was able to end the spell on three points by Ommen. Switzerland County didn't trail until the 4:30 mark of the second frame when Falconberry connected on a shot for an 18-17 advantage that grew into a 25-22 halftime lead.

Switzerland County managed to stay within striking distance and withstood a late third quarter surge that gave the Cubs an eight point lead, which evolved into the double-digit deficit the Pacers valiantly wiped away in the fourth quarter.

"I'm super proud of our kids," Switzerland County head coach Adam Dennis said. "That Madison team is a really good team. I think our



kids did an outstanding job with the scouting report tonight. For the most part I thought we guarded Madison well, too. We were really close and throughout this whole weekend I feel like we have grown as a team. We are going to show some things on film that we can do to make adjustments to

and if we do that I think we will come out on the right end of things against teams like this."

Three Madison starters reached double figures and all played a part in the win at various points in the game. Ommen finished with 17 points and paced Madison early on alongside

Mason Welsh, who finished with 10 points while also proving pivotal throughout the second half. Oliver, who dealt with foul trouble in the first half, came alive in the final two

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LOCAL SPORTS CALENDAR

Thursday, Jan. 2
BASKETBALL (Boys)
7:30 p.m.
Shawe hosts Edinburg
BASKETBALL (Girls)
7:30 p.m.
Trimble Co. at Ludlow
WRESTLING
9 a.m.
Southwestern, Warrior Classic at Scottsburg
6 p.m.
Switzerland Co. at Batesville

Friday, Jan. 3
BASKETBALL (Boys)
11:30 a.m.
CAM vs. Riverside, Tournament
8 p.m.
CAM vs. Pleasant View, Tournament
BASKETBALL (Girls)
11 a.m.
SW Tournament — Switzerland Co. vs. Charlestown
2:30 p.m.
SW Tourn. — Southwestern hosts Charles-

town
6 p.m.
SW Tourn. — Southwestern hosts Switzerland Co.
WRESTLING
8 a.m.
Southwestern, Warrior Classic at Scottsburg
9 a.m.
Madison, Cub Classic at Madison
Saturday, Jan. 4
BASKETBALL (Boys/Men)

1 p.m.
CAM vs. Horizon Christian, Tournament
3:30 p.m.
Shawe at Indiana Deaf
4 p.m.
Hanover at Rose-Hulman
5 p.m.
Trimble Co. vs. Bethlehem at Williamstown, 5 p.m.
BASKETBALL (Girls/Women)
TBA
Southwestern, Switzerland Co., at Southwestern

10 a.m.
Madison at Plainfield, Tournament (2nd game 6/8 p.m.)
Shawe hosts Rock Creek, Tournament (2nd game 4/6 p.m.)
2 p.m.
Hanover at Rose-Hulman
SWIMMING
10 a.m.
Madison hosts Corydon
WRESTLING
9 a.m.
Madison, Cub Classic at Madison

NFL FOOTBALL

Expanded Standings																							
AMERICAN CONFERENCE												NATIONAL CONFERENCE											
East												East											
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div		W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
y-New England	12	4	0	.750	420	225	6-2-0	6-2-0	8-4-0	4-0-0	5-1-0	y-Philadelphia	9	7	0	.563	385	354	5-3-0	4-4-0	2-2-0	7-5-0	5-1-0
x-Buffalo	10	6	0	.625	314	259	4-4-0	6-2-0	7-5-0	3-1-0	3-3-0	Dallas	8	8	0	.500	434	321	5-3-0	3-5-0	1-3-0	7-5-0	5-1-0
N.Y. Jets	7	9	0	.438	276	359	5-3-0	2-6-0	4-8-0	3-1-0	2-4-0	N.Y. Giants	4	12	0	.250	341	451	2-6-0	2-6-0	1-3-0	3-9-0	2-4-0
Miami	5	11	0	.313	306	494	3-5-0	2-6-0	4-8-0	1-3-0	2-4-0	Washington	3	13	0	.188	266	435	1-7-0	2-6-0	1-3-0	2-10-0	0-6-0
South												South											
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div		W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
y-Houston	10	6	0	.625	378	385	5-3-0	5-3-0	8-4-0	2-2-0	4-2-0	y-New Orleans	13	3	0	.813	458	341	6-2-0	7-1-0	4-0-0	9-3-0	5-1-0
x-Tennessee	9	7	0	.563	402	331	4-4-0	5-3-0	7-5-0	2-2-0	3-3-0	Atlanta	7	9	0	.438	381	399	3-5-0	4-4-0	1-3-0	6-6-0	4-2-0
Indianapolis	7	9	0	.438	361	373	5-3-0	2-6-0	5-7-0	2-2-0	3-3-0	Tampa Bay	7	9	0	.438	458	449	2-6-0	5-3-0	2-2-0	5-7-0	2-4-0
Jacksonville	6	10	0	.375	300	397	3-5-0	3-5-0	6-6-0	0-4-0	2-4-0	Carolina	5	11	0	.313	340	470	2-6-0	3-5-0	3-1-0	2-10-0	1-5-0
North												North											
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div		W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
y-Baltimore	14	2	0	.875	531	282	7-1-0	7-1-0	10-2-0	4-0-0	5-1-0	y-Green Bay	13	3	0	.813	376	313	7-1-0	6-2-0	3-1-0	10-2-0	6-0-0
Pittsburgh	8	8	0	.500	289	303	5-3-0	3-5-0	6-6-0	2-2-0	3-3-0	x-Minnesota	10	6	0	.625	407	303	6-2-0	4-4-0	3-1-0	7-5-0	2-4-0
Cleveland	6	10	0	.375	335	393	4-4-0	2-6-0	6-6-0	0-4-0	3-3-0	Chicago	8	8	0	.500	280	298	4-4-0	4-4-0	1-3-0	7-5-0	4-2-0
Cincinnati	2	14	0	.125	279	420	2-6-0	0-8-0	2-10-0	0-4-0	1-5-0	Detroit	3	12	1	.219	341	423	2-6-0	1-6-1	1-3-0	2-9-1	0-6-0
West												West											
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div		W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
y-Kansas City	12	4	0	.750	451	308	5-3-0	7-1-0	9-3-0	3-1-0	6-0-0	y-San Francisco	13	3	0	.813	479	310	6-2-0	7-1-0	3-1-0	10-2-0	5-1-0
Denver	7	9	0	.438	282	316	5-3-0	2-6-0	6-6-0	1-3-0	3-3-0	x-Seattle	11	5	0	.688	405	398	4-4-0	7-1-0	3-1-0	8-4-0	3-3-0
Oakland	7	9	0	.438	313	419	5-3-0	2-6-0	5-7-0	2-2-0	3-3-0	L.A. Rams	9	7	0	.563	394	364	5-3-0	4-4-0	2-2-0	7-5-0	3-3-0
L.A. Chargers	5	11	0	.313	337	345	2-6-0	3-5-0	3-9-0	2-2-0	0-6-0	Arizona	5	10	1	.344	361	442	2-5-1	3-5-0	2-2-0	3-8-1	1-5-0
x-clinched playoff spot												y-clinched division											

RESULTS & SCHEDULE

Sunday, Dec. 29 Chicago 21, Minnesota 19 Atlanta 28, Tampa Bay 22, OT Miami 27, New England 24 Green Bay 23, Detroit 20 Cincinnati 33, Cleveland 23 Kansas City 31, L.A. Chargers 21	N.Y. Jets 13, Buffalo 6 New Orleans 42, Carolina 10 Denver 16, Oakland 15 Tennessee 35, Houston 14 Dallas 47, Washington 16 Jacksonville 38, Indianapolis 20 Philadelphia 34, N.Y. Giants 17	Baltimore 28, Pittsburgh 10 L.A. Rams 31, Arizona 24 San Francisco 26, Seattle 21	Buffalo at Houston, 4:35 p.m. Tennessee at New England, 8:15 p.m.
PLAYOFFS Wild Card Round Saturday, Jan. 4		Sunday, Jan. 5 Minnesota at New Orleans, 1:05 p.m. Seattle at Philadelphia, 4:40 p.m.	

NBA BASKETBALL

Expanded Standings; through Sunday's Games

EASTERN CONFERENCE												WESTERN CONFERENCE									
Atlantic Division												Southwest Division									
W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Conf				W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Conf	
Boston	22	8	.733	—	7-3	L-1	13-2	9-6	15-5			Houston	22	11	.667	—	7-3	L-1	11-4	11-7	13-7
Philadelphia	23	12	.657	1½	5-5	L-2	16-2	7-10	16-7			Dallas	21	11	.656	½	5-5	L-1	9-7	12-4	13-5
Toronto	22	11	.667	1½	6-4	L-1	13-5	9-6	15-6			San Antonio	13	18	.419	8	6-4	W-1	9-8	4-10	8-11
Brooklyn	16	15	.516	6½	5-5	L-2	9-6	7-9	10-8			Memphis	13	21	.382	9½	5-5	W-1	7-12	6-9	8-13
New York	9	24	.273	14½	5-5	W-2	4-12	5-12	5-18			New Orleans	11	23	.324	11½	5-5	W-4	6-11	5-12	9-14
Southeast Division												Northwest Division									
W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Conf				W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Conf	
Miami	24	8	.750	—	8-2	W-5	15-1	9-7	17-2			Denver	23	9	.719	—	9-1	W-2	15-4	8-5	14-5
Orlando	14	18	.438	10	3-7	L-1	10-6	4-12	9-10			Utah	20	12	.625	3	8-2	W-2	12-3	8-9	14-7
Charlotte	13	22	.371	12½	4-6	L-5	7-10	6-12	9-13			Oklahoma City	17	15	.531	6	7-3	W-2	11-6	6-9	12-11
Washington	9	22	.290	14½	2-8	L-2	4-8	5-14	5-12			Portland	14	19	.424	9½	5-5	L-3	8-8	6-11	9-14
Atlanta	6	27	.182	18½	0-10	L-10	3-12	3-15	3-18			Minnesota	11	20	.355	11½	1-9	L-1	3-11	8-9	5-16
Central Division												Pacific Division									
W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Conf				W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Conf	
Milwaukee	29	5	.853	—	8-2	W-2	16-2	13-3	19-3			L.A. Lakers	26	7	.788	—	6-4	W-2	11-4	15-3	18-4
Indiana	21	12	.636	7½	6-4	L-2	14-3	7-9	14-9			L.A. Clippers	23	11	.676	3½	6-4	L-1	14-3	9-8	15-8
Chicago	13	20	.394	15½	5-5	W-1	7-10	6-10	9-13			Phoenix	12	20	.375	13½	2-8	W-1	6-12	6-8	8-16
Detroit	12	21	.364	16½	3-7	L-1	8-10	4-11	9-18			Sacramento	12	21	.364	14	2-8	L-7	6-8	6-13	8-12
Cleveland	10	22	.313	18	5-5	W-1	6-10	4-12	6-19			Golden State	9	25	.265	17½	4-6	L-1	6-11	3-14	7-18

SPORTS ON THE AIR

TV SPORTSWATCH

Tuesday, December 31 COLLEGE BASKETBALL (MEN) NOON ESPNU — Georgia Tech at Florida State 2 p.m. ESPNU — Temple at Central Florida 4 p.m. ACCN — Miami at Clemson 4:30 p.m. CBSSN — The Arizona Bowl: Georgia State vs. Wyoming, Tucson, Ariz. 5:30 p.m. FS1 — Georgetown at Providence 6 p.m. ACCN — Boston College at Duke 7 p.m. BTN — Rider at Wisconsin 7:30 p.m. FS1 — Butler at St. John's COLLEGE BASKETBALL (WOMEN) 1 p.m. BTN — Nebraska at Michigan State 3 p.m. BTN — Indiana at Rutgers 5 p.m. BTN — Maryland at Northwestern COLLEGE FOOTBALL Noon ESPN — The Belk Bowl: Virginia Tech vs. Kentucky, Charlotte, N.C. 2 p.m. CBS — The Sun Bowl: Florida State vs. Arizona State, El Paso, Texas 3:45 p.m. ESPN — The Liberty Bowl: Navy vs. Kansas State, Memphis, Tenn. 4:30 p.m. CBSSN — The Arizona Bowl: Georgia State vs. Wyoming 7:30 p.m. ESPN — The Alamo Bowl: Utah vs. Texas, San Antonio, Texas HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL 4 p.m. ESPNU — Under Armour All-America Game: Practice, Orlando, Fla. MIXED MARTIAL ARTS 7 p.m. ESP2 — PFL: Championships, New York NBA BASKETBALL 3 p.m. FS Indiana — Philadelphia at Indiana 7 p.m. NBATV — Denver at Houston NHL HOCKEY 7 p.m. FS Ohio — Florida at Columbus 9 p.m. FS Midwest — St. Louis at Arizona NHLN — NY Rangers at Edmonton Wednesday, January 1 COLLEGE BASKETBALL (MEN) 3 p.m. ESPNU — East Carolina at Wichita State 5 p.m. ESPNU — South Florida at Southern Methodist 7 p.m. CBSSN — Connecticut at Cincinnati 9 p.m. CBSSN — Marquette at Creighton 11 p.m. CBSSN — Utah State at Nevada (Las Vegas) COLLEGE FOOTBALL 1 p.m. ABC — The Citrus Bowl: Alabama vs. Michigan, Orlando, Fla. ESPN — The Outback Bowl: Minnesota vs. Auburn, Tampa, Fla. 5 p.m. ESPN, ESPN2 — The Rose Bowl: Oregon vs. Wisconsin, Pasadena, Calif. 8:45 p.m. ESPN, ESPN2 — The Sugar Bowl: Georgia vs. Baylor, New Orleans NBA BASKETBALL 7:30 p.m.	NBATV — Portland at New York NHL HOCKEY 1 p.m. NBC — The Winter Classic: Nashville vs. Dallas, Dallas SOCCER (MEN) 7:25 a.m. NBCSN — Premier League: Chelsea at Brighton 9:55 a.m. NBCSN — Premier League: Tottenham at Southampton 12:25 p.m. NBCSN — Premier League: Everton at Manchester City 2:55 p.m. NBCSN — Premier League: Manchester United at Arsenal Thursday, January 2 COLLEGE BASKETBALL (MEN) 5 p.m. ESPNU — Liberty at Florida Gulf Coast 6:30 p.m. CBSSN — James Madison at North Carolina (Wilmington) 7 p.m. BTN — Minnesota at Purdue ESPN — North Texas at Western Kentucky 8 p.m. FS1 — Illinois at Michigan State 8:30 p.m. CBSSN — Dayton at La Salle PAC-12N — Oregon State at Utah 9 p.m. ESPN2 — Oregon at Colorado ESPNU — Jacksonville State at Morehead State 10 p.m. FS1 — UCLA at Washington 10:30 p.m. PAC-12N — Southern California at Washington State 11 p.m. ESPN2 — California at Stanford ESPNU — TBA COLLEGE BASKETBALL (WOMEN) 7 p.m. SECN — Kentucky at South Carolina ACCNX — Notre Dame at Pittsburgh (webcast) COLLEGE FOOTBALL 3 p.m. ESPN — The Birmingham Bowl: Boston College vs. Cincinnati, Birmingham, Ala. 7 p.m. ESPN — The Gator Bowl: Indiana vs. Tennessee, Jacksonville, Fla. GOLF 6 p.m. GOLF — PGA Tour: The Sentry Tournament of Champions, First Round, Maui, Hawaii HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL 6 p.m. ESPN2 — Under Armour All-America Game: Team Highlight vs. Team Armour, Orlando, Fla. NBA BASKETBALL 7 p.m. FS Indiana — Denver at Indiana 8 p.m. NBATV — Golden State at Minnesota 10:30 p.m. NBATV — Detroit at LA Clippers NHL HOCKEY 7 p.m. FS Ohio — Columbus at Boston NBCSN — New Jersey at NY Islanders 9:30 p.m. NBCSN — St. Louis at Colorado SOCCER (MEN) 2:55 p.m. NBCSN — Premier League: Sheffield United at Liverpool Friday, January 3 COLLEGE BASKETBALL (MEN) 7 p.m. CBSSN — Toledo at Ball State	ESPN2 — Central Florida at Houston ESPNU — Wright State at Oakland FS1 — Wisconsin at Ohio State 8 p.m. BTN — Rutgers at Nebraska 9 p.m. CBSSN — Kent State at Bowling Green ESPNU — Temple at Tulsa FS1 — Georgetown at Seton Hall COLLEGE BASKETBALL (WOMEN) 8 p.m. FSN — Iowa State at Texas Tech 10 p.m. PAC-12N — Colorado at Oregon COLLEGE FOOTBALL 3:30 p.m. ESPN — The Famous Idaho Potato Bowl: Ohio vs. Nevada, Boise, Idaho COLLEGE GYMNASTICS (WOMEN) 8 p.m. PAC-12N — Kentucky at Utah COLLEGE HOCKEY (MEN) 7 p.m. NBCSN — Notre Dame at Western Michigan CURLING (MEN) 9:30 p.m. GOLF — PGA Tour: The Sentry Tournament of Champions, Second Round, Maui, Hawaii HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL (BOYS) 9 p.m. ESPN2 — ESPN Showcase: Sierra Canyon (Calif.) vs. Patrick School (N.J.), Minneapolis NBA BASKETBALL 8 p.m. ESPN — Philadelphia at Houston 10:30 p.m. ESPN — New Orleans at LA Lakers NHL HOCKEY 7:30 p.m. NHLN — Washington at Carolina Saturday, January 4 AUTO RACING 10 p.m. NBCSN — Monster Energy Supercross: From Anaheim, Calif. BOBSLEDDING/SKELETON 1 p.m. NBCSN — IBSF World Cup COLLEGE BASKETBALL (MEN) Noon FOX — Indiana at Maryland FS1 — Creighton at Butler ESPN2 — TBA ESPNU — TBA FS Midwest — Wake Forest at Pittsburgh 2 p.m. SECN — Missouri at Kentucky ESPN2 — Florida State at Louisville BTN — Iowa at Penn State CBSSN — Long Island-Brooklyn at Mount St. Mary's ESPNU — TBA FOX — Villanova at Marquette 4 p.m. ESPNU — Notre Dame at Syracuse CBSSN — Cincinnati at Tulane	ESPN2 — TBA FS1 — Providence at DePaul 4:30 p.m. SECN — Auburn at Mississippi State 5 p.m. PAC-12N — Oregon at Utah 6 p.m. CBSSN — Boise State at Nevada (Reno) ESPN2 — TBA ESPNU — TBA 7 p.m. PAC-12N — UCLA at Washington State SECN — Texas A&M at Arkansas 8 p.m. ESPN — TBA ESPN2 — Texas at Baylor ESPNU — Bradley at Northern Iowa 9 p.m. SECN — Southern Methodist at Vanderbilt 9:30 p.m. PAC-12N — Arizona State at Arizona 10 p.m. CBSSN — San Diego State at Utah State ESPN2 — Pepperdine at Gonzaga ESPNU — Air Force at Nevada (Las Vegas) COLLEGE BASKETBALL (WOMEN) Noon CBSSN — Virginia Commonwealth at Rhode Island 4 p.m. BTN — Penn State at Wisconsin 5 p.m. FSN — Baylor at Oklahoma 6 p.m. BTN — Minnesota at Nebraska COLLEGE FOOTBALL 11:30 a.m. ESPN — The Armed Forces Bowl: Southern Mississippi vs. Tulane, Fort Worth, Texas <
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quarters and was instrumental both from the field and at the free-throw line to finish with 13 points.

But perhaps no effort was more heroic than that of Falconberry, who came off the bench in the second quarter and scored six points to help Madison to its first lead. He then followed with seven points in the second half, including five in the fourth quarter. The sophomore finished with 13 points and also shared team-high rebounding honors with seven.

“We’ve had a lot of heroes this year and Jackson (Falconberry) got off to a really good start tonight,” Wilkerson said. “His progress this year kind of took a hit because of injury and we’ve been fighting to get him back to where he was tonight. I told our assistant coaches that I thought he could have a big game tonight and he answered the call.”

Switzerland County got Breeck’s best game of the

season as he put the Pacers on his shoulders throughout and led all scorers with a season-high 27 points while Weaver finished with 12.

The senior Breeck has struggled in recent weeks on the offensive end but Dennis said he was happy to see his leading scorer return to form in a championship setting.

“It was good to see him (Breeck) have a game where he shot it well,” Dennis said. “He has been struggling with his shot a little bit but he’s put in extra time and it’s starting to turn around for him and we are going to need that. We need him to put the ball in the bucket but it was nice to see this weekend us having three or four different guys in double figures. We are heading in the right direction.”

Madison (8-2) returns to action on Friday, Jan. 10 at Scottsburg and hosts Charlestown on Saturday, Jan. 11.

Switzerland County (4-5) faces off with Rising Sun on Thursday, Jan. 9 in the opening round of the Rivertown Classic at South Dearborn.



Rebels pull away to beat Hornets, claim 3rd place

Morristown
knocks off
Trimble for 5th

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Southwestern basketball picked up its second-straight win to claim third place while Trimble County finished sixth after its eighth-straight loss in the finale of the Jefferson County Invitational Tournament on Saturday night.

The Rebels withstood a barrage of 3-pointers by Henryville in the third place game and finally pulled away in the fourth quarter for a 68-49 win over the Hornets.

Henryville (3-7) drilled 12 3-pointers in the game including 11 in the first three quarters to stay within striking distance of the Rebels early and eventually take a brief lead in the third quarter. Southwestern answered back with a late 17-0 run and outscored the Hornets 23-10 in the final frame as Henryville’s hot shooting night finally succumbed to the Southwestern defense.

“These last two games I really felt like we came together,” Southwestern head coach Jerry Bomholt said. “We did some things that put us in position to win some games and now we’ll take that and run with it when we get back to practice next Thursday. Hopefully we can do that and get on a run here.”

Southwestern shot 53% from the floor for the game with Foster Mefford leading all scorers with 25 points alongside five rebounds and seven assists. Austin Kramer and Billy Eccles both shot better than 50% from the field and scored 15 points each.

The Hornets made 12-of-26 from beyond the arc but were limited to just 5-of-18 from inside the perimeter. Cole Pirrman hit seven 3-pointers en route to 21 points. Jayke Youell canned four 3’s for 12 points and Westin Allen added 11 points.

Southwestern (7-5) hosts Class 2A No. 17 Providence on Tuesday, Jan. 7 and then hosts Class 2A No. 8 South Decatur on Friday, Jan. 10.

Trimble County never threatened Class A No. 13 Morristown in Saturday’s fifth

place game and the result was a 94-50 win for the Yellow Jackets.

Morristown (5-3) led 41-24 at halftime and exploded for a 33-11 run in the third quarter that put the game on ice early. The Yellow Jackets took advantage of 19 Trimble turnovers and converted them into 28 points on the other end while also shooting 64% for the game including 76% in the second half.

The Raiders shot 42% from the field but were just 3-of-17 from beyond the arc. Reece Webster led the way with 16 points and seven rebounds while Dylan Jennings added 13 points on 6-of-11 shooting.

Morristown’s Kyle Crim led all scorers with 28 points on 12-of-16 shooting and was joined in double figures by Austin Blocher off the bench with 15 points. Drake Moore and Trevon Carlton each added 14 points. The Yellow Jackets were 26-of-38 from inside the perimeter and 9-of-16 from the 3-point line.

Trimble (2-10) plays Bethlehem in the opening round of the Williamstown Holiday Tournament on Saturday, Jan. 4.

TAKING AIM: Southwestern’s Zach Cole (above, 20) goes to the basket under Morristown’s Trevon Carlton (32) during Friday’s pool play. The Rebels won the contest to snap a four-game losing streak. Madison’s Luke Miller (right) shoots over the Switzerland County defense during the championship game. Miller scored 29 points in the pool play win over Trimble on Friday and 49 points over the three games. (Staff photos by David Campbell)

JCIT Friday: Cubs roll to 2 easy wins; Pacers stun Rebs

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Madison and Switzerland County are accustomed to meeting on the basketball floor in the regular season showdown for both but the two rivals earned a chance to clash in the midseason when they topped pool play Friday at the Jefferson County Invitational to advance to the championship.

The Cubs and Pacers clinched their spot in the title game after earning top honors in pool play Friday at Salm Gymnasium.

Switzerland County (4-4) opened the invitational with

a stunning 54-38 win over an ice-cold Southwestern team and nearly pulled off a stunner in their second game of the day when they almost erased a 17-point first half deficit before falling 66-59 to Class A No. 13 Morristown.

Morristown (4-3) had the opportunity to clinch a spot in the championship but Southwestern returned to form and snapped a four-game losing skid while exploding on offense en route to a 70-51 win that saw the Rebels get off to a hot start and never cool down.

All three teams had been placed in Pool A and stood at 1-1 on the day, forcing a tie-

breaker to determine placement in Saturday’s trophy round. Based on point-differential, Switzerland County bested Southwestern with a plus-9 margin to Southwestern’s plus-3. Morristown was dealt a margin of minus-12 after the loss to the Rebels.

Madison (7-2) easily won both of its Pool B games, defeating Henryville 66-43 and finishing off the day with a 95-68 rout of Trimble County. Henryville (3-6) bounced back to defeat Trimble County 62-49 and face Southwestern for third place. Trimble (2-9) was the day 0-2 and played Morristown for fifth place.

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3	WAVE	6	2	News	News	News	News	A Toast to 2019! (N) 0	0	New Year's	News	
4	WTTV	4		News	CBS	Theory	Theory	NCIS 00 (DVS)	FBI "Invisible"	FBI "Apex" 00	News	
5	WLWT	2		News	News	Holly	Extra	A Toast to 2019! (N) 0	0	New Year's	News	
8	WISH	12		News 8 at 6PM	9 On	Inside	ET	iHeartRadio Music Festival Night 2		News 8 at 10PM	News	
9	WCPO	23		9 On	ABC	9 On	The List	Dick Clark's Primetime		Dick Clark's	9 On	
11	WHAS	11	4	News	ABC	ET	Inside	Dick Clark's Primetime		Dick Clark's	News	
15	WKPC	13		Collect	News	PBS NewsHour		Live From Lincoln Center	Live From Lincoln Center	World		
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22	WLKY	5	5	News	CBS	Wheel	J'pardy!	NCIS 00 (DVS)	FBI "Invisible"	FBI "Apex" 00	News	
23	WBKI	7	7	Last	Last	Mod	Theory	iHeartRadio Music Festival Night 2		Theory black-	Two	
41	WDRB	8	9	News	News	Judge	Judge	Fox's New Year's Eve		News Sports	New	
A&E		28	36	(5:00) Live PD 0	0			Live PD 0 (Part 1 of 2) 00		Live PD 00		
AMC		29	26	"The Hunger Games: Mockingjay, Part 2"		***	"The Hunger Games" (2012) 00					
COM		45	59	South	South	South	South	South	South	South	South	
DISC		31	38	Moonshiners		Moonshiners		Moonshiners	Moonshiners (N)	Guardians of	Moon	
DISN		25	29	Sydney	Sydney	Sydney	Gabby	Gabby	Gabby	Raven	Big City	Big City
ESPN		32	44	College Football	Scores	College	Football	Valero Alamo Bowl -- Utah vs Texas. (N)		SportC		
FREE		18	40	(5:50) *** "Shrek" (2001) 0			(7:55) *** "Iron Man" (2008) Robert Downey Jr.			700		
FX		40	28	** "Daddy's Home" (2015) 0			** "Jurassic World" (2015) Chris Pratt. 0			"Hangover III"		
HBO		201	17	** "Hellboy" (2019) David Harbour.			*** "Shazam!" (2019) 0 00			(:15) *** "Aquaman" 0		
MAX		270	73	(:10) *** "Twins" (1988) 0 00			"The Beautician and the Beast"			"Crazy Rich Asians" 0		
PARMT		35	41	(5:30) *** "The Goonies" (1985)			** "The Sandlot" (1993) Thomas Guiry. 0			"Dirty Grandpa"		
SHOW		221	16	(:05) ** "Road House" (1989) 0			Ray Donovan	Inside the NFL	Shameless 00	In NFL		
TMC		233	74	(5:05) "Wildlife" *** "Misery" (1990) James Caan.			*** "Rosemary's Baby" (1968) 00					
TNT		27	43	(4:40) "The Dark Knight Rises"			** "The Accountant" (2016) Ben Affleck.			"Jack Reacher"		
USA		26	33	Law & Order		Law & Order	Law & Order	Law & Order	Law & Order	Law-		
WGN-A		20	20	Blue Bloods 0		Dog	Dog	Dog	Dog	Dog	Dog	

		Jefferson Switzerland Trimble/ Carroll	WEDNESDAY EVENING										
			6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
3	WAVE	6	2	News	News	News	News	Chicago Fire	Chicago Med	Chicago P.D.	News		
4	WTTV	4		4 Our	CBS	Theory	Theory	Evil "Pilot" 00	Evil 0 00	Evil "3 Stars"	News		
5	WLWT	2		News	News	Holly	Extra	Chicago Fire	Chicago Med	Chicago P.D.	News		
8	WISH	12		News 8 at 6PM	Inside	ET		Riverdale 00	Nancy Drew 0	News 8 at 10PM	News		
9	WCPO	23		9 On	ABC	9 On	The List	Gold School	Mod Single	Stumptown 0	9 On		
11	WHAS	11	4	News	ABC	ET	Inside	Gold School	Mod Single	Stumptown 0	News		
15	WKPC	13		Con	News	PBS NewsHour		Nature 0 00	Great Performances 00	Sym	World		
19	WXIX	10		Jeop	FOX19	Wheel	J'pardy!	Flirty Dancing	Almost Family	FOX19	FOX19		
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A&E		28	36	The First 48 00		The First 48 00		The First 48 "Chain of Death" 00		Alaska PD 00	First 48		
AMC		29	26	"Home Alone 2: Lost in N.Y."			*** "Home Alone" (1990) Joe Pesci 00			"Home Alone 2"			
COM		45	59	Chap	Chap	Chap	Chap	Chap	Chap	Chap	Chap		
DISC		31	38	Alaskan Bush		Alaskan Bush		Alaskan Bush	Man vs. Bear (N)	Alaskan Bush	Alaskan		
DISN		25	29	(5:25) "Descendants 2"		"Descendants 3" (2019) 0 00		(:25) "Zombies" (2018) 0		Raven			
ESPN		32	44	(5:00) Rose Bowl Wisconsin vs Oregon. (N)		(:40) Allstate Sugar Bowl Baylor vs Georgia. (N)							
FREE		18	40	"Iron" (:45) ** "Hotel Transylvania" (2012) 0			(8:50) *** "Despicable Me 2" 0			700			
FX		40	28	"Jurassic"		** "Transformers: The Last Knight" (2017) Mark Wahlberg.		"Transformers"					
HBO		201	17	(5:45) *** "Widows" (2018) 0		** "Shutter Island" (2010) Premiere. 0		"The Town" 0					
MAX		270	73	(:10) ** "In Time" (2011) 0 00		"Jurassic World: Fallen Kingdom" "Pacific Rim Uprising" 0							
PARMT		35	41	(5:00) "Friday"		** "Next Friday" (2000) Ice Cube. 0 00		* "Friday After Next" (2002) 0					
SHOW		221	16	"Sense"		*** "Little Women" (1994) 0		** "On the Basis of Sex" (2018)		"Five			
TMC		233	74	"Win" (:25) "The Dark Tower"		"Happytime"		(:35) "Killing Hasselhoff"		"DCCa			
TNT		27	43	(5:35) ** "The Accountant"		All Elite Wrestling: Dynamite (N)		"Shawshank"					
USA		26	33	Law & Order		Law & Order		WWE NXT (N) 0 (Live) 00		Law & Order	Law-		
WGN-A		20	20	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	

BOYS BASKETBALL

May’s 3 sparks Shawe past Borden

Stuart scores 22, May 21 as Tops now 4-5

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Grayson May hit what was easily the biggest shot of his career late in the fourth quarter to spark Shawe to a late 9-0 run and allow the Hilltoppers to pull away for a 76-63 win over Borden on Friday at home.

Shawe led the game wire to wire, grabbing a 17-5 lead after the first quarter. Borden started to heat up from the 3-point line in the second quarter which cut Shawe’s lead to 30-22 going into halftime.

Borden continued its hot shooting in the third quarter, hitting five more threes to cut the lead to six on two separate occasions. However, Shawe continued to fight back and answer every Borden run to hold a 51-44 lead heading into the final quarter.

Shawe opened the final quarter with a quick 5-0 run to take a 12-point lead to seemingly take control of the game. However, Borden continued to hit from the 3-point arc and cut Shawe’s lead to one at 60-59 with 2:44 left in the game.

That’s when May stepped up and nailed a corner 3-pointer to put Shawe up by four, and ignite the Hilltoppers’ closing run for the win.

“It felt good when I shot it,” May said. “It felt really good and I’m happy it went in.”

On the next possession, Henry Grote, who had sat out the first half due to a violation of team rules, came up with a big steal and scored on a layup while fouled to put Shawe up seven and Borden could never get any closer.

Shawe was led by big man Ethan Stuart, who poured in 22 points. May had a career-high 21 points and Jack Grote chipped in 12.

Borden, which hit 13 3-pointers, and just eight from inside the arc, was led by Tommy Devine with 22 points.

Shawe coach Dan Hambrick said he knew exactly what Borden was going to do but he said sometimes they’re just tough to stop.

“I’ve watched them three times and they are an excellent shooting team,” Hambrick said. “There were several that we were guarding them but they just hit some tough shots. They’re just a really good shooting team.”



STRONG MOVE: Shawe’s Ethan Stuart (54) powers past the Borden defense for two of his game-high 22 points in the Hilltoppers’ 76-63 win on Friday. (Staff photo by David Campbell)

Hambrick praised the play of Elijah Goins, who got the start with Henry Grote out. “Elijah was huge for us. He played great defense and made some great moves at the rim,” Hambrick said. “Players have to step up and he stepped up for us in a big way tonight.”

Shawe improved to 4-5 with the win and will now host Edinburgh on Thursday.

FRIDAY'S BOYS GAME						
at Madison						
SHAWE 76, BORDEN 63						
BORDEN	5	17	22	19	—	63
SHAWE	17	13	21	25	—	76
BORDEN (2-6) — Devine 22, Martin						

21, Agnew 11, B. Eurlon 6, E. Eurlon 2, Carter 1, Franklin 0, Flispart 0, Roberts 0.

SHAWE (4-5) — Stuart 22, May 21, J. Grote 12, Cole 8, H. Grote 7, Goins 6, Collins 0.

3-Point Goals — Borden 13 (Devine 5, Martin 5, Agnew 3), Shawe 7 (May 3, J. Grote 2, H. Grote 1, Cole 1). **Total Fouls —** Shawe 11, Borden 18. **Free Throws —** Shawe 9-15, Borden 8-10. **Fouled Out —** Borden: Roberts, Carter.

WRESTLING

Seven Cubs place at Jay Co. Invite

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Madison wrestling competed in the Jay County Invitational over the weekend for the first time with seven wrestlers medaling.

Although the entire team did not make the trip, the Cubs still had seven wrestlers finish in the top eight and take home medals.

Luke McCarty (145 pounds), Tucker Adams (220) and Dylan Fulton (285) each finished fourth to lead the Cubs. Fulton improved to 17-4 on the season with his performance.

“McCarty had a nice triple overtime win in the quarters and it showed his no-quit attitude,” Madison coach Tyson Skinner said. “Tucker still is recovering from injury but wrestled well despite of it. Dylan’s cardio looked improved over his last competition. I hope we can keep improving on it.”

Three other Cubs also placed. Noah Burkhardt (120) placed sixth to improve to 22-3 on the season, Brayden Richards (132) and Trenton Stockdale (152) each placed seventh and Kelsey Bilz (113) finished eighth.

“Overall I saw good things out of everyone that wrestled today,” Skinner said. “In particular this was the best day of wrestling I have seen Brayden put together. He had a couple big wins.”

Madison, now 21-1 in dual meets, returns to action this weekend when the Cubs host the 10th annual Cub Classic. Wrestling will get underway at 9 a.m. on both days.

“This will be our toughest meet of our season with several state rank teams from Indiana and Kentucky coming to town,” Skinner said.

WOMEN’S BASKETBALL

HC drops pair at Otterbein Tourney

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Hanover College’s women’s basketball suffered a pair of losses in the Smokey Ballenger Classic at Otterbein (Ohio) over the weekend.

The Panthers lost 66-59 to host Otterbein in the opener on Saturday and fell 76-56 to Trine on Sunday.

Savannah Courtney had 16 points and eight rebounds to lead Hanover in the loss to Otterbein. Alexis Nall added 13 points and six rebounds while Kristin Mills had 12 points. Former Madison Cub Katie Hartman scored six points and former Switzerland County Pacer Brooke Todd had four points and four assists.

Hartman had 14 points and six rebounds to lead the Panthers against Trine on Sunday while Courtney scored 11.

Hanover, now 4-5 on the season, returns to action on Saturday when the Panthers travel to Rose-Hulman.

**WOMEN’S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
SMOKEY BALLANGER CLASSIC
at Westerville, Ohio
SATURDAY’S SEMIFINAL
OTTERBEIN 66, HANOVER 59**

**HANOVER 13 15 14 17 — 59
OTTERBEIN 13 17 16 20 — 66**

HANOVER (4-4) — Courtney 16, Nall 13, Mills 12, Hartman 6, Todd 4, Tynan 4, Blume 2, Wilder 2, Butler 0, McCloskey 0, Bauer 0.

OTTERBEIN (8-1) — Cutteridge 23, Jackson 17, Scholz 8, Zerkle 8, Hoshouer 4, Mangold 4, DeCarlo 2, Bauer 0, Horsley 0.

3-Point Goals — Hanover 3 (Mills 3), Otterbein 7 (Jackson 3, Cutteridge 2, Zerkle 2). **Rebounds —** Hanover 26 (Courtney 8), Otterbein 42 (Scholz 10, Mangold 10). **Assists —** Hanover 13 (Todd 4), Otterbein 17 (Scholz 6). **Turnovers —** Hanover 11, Otterbein 18. **Total Fouls —** Hanover 16, Otterbein 14. **Free Throws —** Hanover 12-14, Otterbein 11-18. **Fouled Out —** Otterbein: Scholz.

**SUNDAY’S CONSOLATION
TRINE 76, HANOVER 56**

**TRINE 17 17 20 22 — 76
HANOVER 21 15 11 9 — 56**

TRINE (8-3) — Taylor 18, Wildman 14, Steers 12, Bieniewicz 10, Herbert 8, Krag 3, Ardis 2, S. Sloneker 2, Curtis 2, Porter 2, K. Argyle 1, Stewart 1, Underhill 1, A. Argyle 0, Parrett 0, K. Sloneker 0, Kunse 0, Milligan 0.

HANOVER (4-5) — Hartman 14, Courtney 11, Mills 8, Todd 6, Ward 4, Blume 4, Bauer 4, Tynan 3, McCloskey 2, Summerville 0, Norman 0, Butler 0, Wilder 0.

3-Point Goals — Trine 6 (Wildman 3, Bieniewicz 2, Krag 1), Hanover 3 (Tynan 1, Mills 1, Hartman 1). **Rebounds —** Trine 51 (Taylor 11), Hanover 35 (Hartman 6). **Assists —** Trine 13 (Steers 5), Hanover 6 (Todd 2). **Turnovers —** Trine 13, Hanover 14. **Total Fouls —** Trine 17, Hanover 22. **Free Throws —** Trine 20-31, Hanover 11-20. **Fouled Out —** None.

Trimble girls get win at Greenwood

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Trimble County’s girls basketball picked up a win in the Lady Gator Holiday Classic in Greenwood over the weekend.

The Raiders dropped their opener 55-41 to host Greenwood on Friday. Abby Ponder and Shelby Wilcoxson scored 10 points each to lead Trimble while Colby O’Connor scored six.

Trimble regrouped to beat Cumberland 47-34 in game two on Friday. Wilcoxson scored 15 points, Ponder had 13 and Danielle Craig 10 to lead the way.

Trimble then wrapped up play with a 53-47 loss to Bath County on Saturday. Ponder scored 18 points and Wilcoxson had 11 in the loss.

Trimble, now 4-7 on the season, travels to Ludlow on Thursday.

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PETS OF THE WEEK

The Madison-Jefferson County Animal Shelter currently has four dogs or puppies, and 16 cats or kittens available. Pictures of additional pets waiting for adoption can be viewed at www.sisaveapet.com

Normal shelter hours are Monday, Thursday and Friday from noon to 5 p.m., Wednesday from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m., Saturday from noon to 4 p.m., and Sunday from noon to 3 p.m. It is closed Tuesday. The shelter number is (812) 273-1788 and the email is animal.shelter39@jefferson-county.in.gov

All cats and kittens are \$45 off unless they are already spayed or neutered. Discount is courtesy of the Animal Shelter and the Jefferson County Humane Society.

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The shelter is a registered organization with the Kroger Community Rewards program. To support the shelter, register a Kroger card at www.krogercommunityrewards.com and enter FL919.

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Trax” app available through the App Store or Google Play. For each mile walked, a donation is made to the shelter.

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ELTON

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Special Events

Teen Volunteer Program: Teens can help with various projects and earn community service hours at the Jefferson County Public Library in Madison. Teens must complete the volunteer application and background check to attend. New applications are always being accepted. Registration is required. The schedule for volunteering is based on volunteer availability. To register or for more information, go to www.mjcp.org or call the library at 812-265-2744.

Winter Reading: All ages of children and adults can participate in the Jefferson County Library’s winter reading program. Pick up a card at any service desk. For each card completed, participants will win a prize. All children entries will be put into grand prize drawings for gift certificates to McWiggins Wonder Emporium. Children can enter up to 9 cards through January 31. For teens, every 5 hours you read, you can earn a free book from a prize box. Teen reading logs will also double as a raffle ticket and names will be drawn for gift cards throughout this event. For adults, submit an entry form at either library for each book read and four gift card winners will be chosen each week.

December 31

Thank You Card Crafts: Visit the Jefferson County Public Library in Madison from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. to create fun thank you cards. Use all kinds of stamps, stickers and much more to create one-of-a-kind cards to show appreciation. All ages are welcome and admission is free. For more information, go to www.mjcp.org or call the library at 812-265-2744.

January 1

First Day Hike: Meet at the Clifty Falls State Park Poplar Grove Shelter at 1 p.m. for this three-mile very rugged hike to journey back through time. Hear how the park was formed, see two of the park waterfalls and walk part of the old railroad path while discovering its unique story. This hike

will take roughly two to two-and-a-half hours. Cookies and water will be provided after the hike.

January 3

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Indiana Independent

Living Center Board

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January 4

Movie: Adominable:

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her friends helping a yeti find its way

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January 6

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free strength and balance exercise

class will meet from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Mondays at the Brown Gym. For

more information, call 812-273-1072.

January 8

La Leche League:

Join this

supportive and informative group at 10

a.m. at King’s Daughters’ Hospital in

the Conference Room. Mothers and

their nursing babies and mothers-to-be

are welcome. For more information,

call 8120273-6620, 812-273-6620 or

812-271-0140.

Retirees of King’s Daughters’

Hospital:

The retired employees of

King’s Daughters’ Hospital will meet

at 11:30 a.m. for lunch at Ponderosa.

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Learn how to felt wool roving

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with a canvas mounted landscape full of brightly-colored wildflowers and grasses. All materials will be provided. Space is limited, so registration is required. To register or for more information, go to www.mjcp.org or call the library at 812-265-2744.

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January 9

Winter Fiber Workshop #2:

Learn

how to knit a traditional scarf at the

Fold School at the History Center.

This class will be from 1 p.m. to 4

p.m. Jan. 11. Registration is required

by Jan. 9 and admission is \$35, which

will include supplies. This work-

shop will include the history of the

Seaman’s Church Institute and their

Christmas at Sea knitting program,

a demonstration on how to knit the

Seafarer’s Scarf, the history of knitting

in America and the health benefits

of knitting. To register or for more

information, call 812-265-2335 or

email info@jchshch.org

January 11

Pinecone Birdfeeders:

Go to the

Clifty Falls State Park Nature Center

at 10 a.m. to create a pinecone bird-

feeder. For more information, call the

Clifty Falls State Park Nature Center

at 812-273-0609, email Kayla Leach

at kleach@dnr.in.gov or email Stefan Johnson at StJohnson@dnr.in.gov

Waterfall Hike:

Meet at

the Clifty Falls State Park

Clifty Shelter at 2 p.m. for

an one-hour moderately

rugged hike through one

of the most scenic sections

of Clifty Canyon. There’s

a chance to see five water-

falls along the way. For

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Januart 14

Mother Goose on the Loose:

Join

this story and activity time for chil-

dren ages 6 months to 35 months from

10 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at the Jefferson

County Public Library in Madison.

This event includes rhymes, songs,

musical instruments and more for

babies, toddlers and their caregivers.

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Girls Who Code:

Learn how

computer science can change the world

from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Jefferson

County Public Library in Madison.

Learn simple online coding tutorials,

build community through interactive

activities and build a Girls Who Code

Project that solves real world prob-

lems you care about through code.

Participants are encouraged to bring

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Clothed in Love: Hopewell Baptist Church will be hosting a clothing giveaway the first Tuesday of each month from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and the third Tuesday of each month from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. The church is at 3078 N. Thompson Road. All are welcome. For more information, call 812-595-1855 or 812-595-2429.

Community Prayer Group/SWORD Group: This group will meet every third Monday of the month at 10 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. at the old Eggleston School at Third and East Streets in Madison. Enter through the main East Street door. Join others in this group to pray for the community and community needs. For more information, call Jan Anderson at 812-866-4337.

Jesus Clothes Closet: The Jesus Clothes Closet at Trinity United Methodist Church, 412 W. Main St. in Madison is open every Monday from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. with free clothes from infants to adults. Guests should use the church’s Main Street entrance. The store is closed holidays that fall on a Monday.

Open Gym: Hanover Baptist Church will have an open gym for walking every Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Hanover Baptist Church is at 151 W. Main St. in Hanover.

Worship in the Park: Enjoy worship in the great outdoors at 11 a.m. every Sunday beside the Broadway Fountain. Bring your lawn chair and worship with a mix of live and recorded music. Worship with the praise band Smashing Stained Glass. Services are weather-permitting. For more information, call Trinity United Methodist Church at 812-265-3059.

BIRTHDAYS

December 31, 2019

- Zeke Grimmer
- Linda Leineweber - 66

January 2, 2020

- Michael Gilpin
- Ramona Ann Voris - 80

ANNIVERSARIES

December 31, 2019

- Donald and Bambi Hardin - 23 years
- Jeff and Lisa Watterson

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All ears when thinking of presents

Dear Annie: Lots of people need nothing, but everyone wants something. If you ask someone directly, “What do you want for Christmas/your birthday/the holidays?” then they’ll probably say, “Nothing.” Or “Save your money.” So don’t ask. Just pay attention.

I learned from my older sister that if you watch and listen, you’ll easily think of a gift they’ll love. You might notice they don’t have a covered serving dish, have never heard of a blender bottle or haven’t gotten around to framing a special poster. Perhaps they will mention loving a particular theater, from which you can order tickets.

Last Christmas, when my sister was talking about an upcoming Baltic cruise, a lightbulb went on. I drove to a currency exchange kiosk in the mall and bought her seven different countries’ worth of pocket money. The whole gift cost me less than \$100. She was thrilled, and I was thrilled to have learned from the GGGOAT: greatest gift-giver of all time. — For the Person Who Has Everything

Dear Everything: Thank you for pointing out how we learn more from observing people — watching what they do rather than what they say. And it is also outstanding because the best gift you can give someone is to *hear* them. It is not just your physical presence but also your mental awareness, really listening to what



Annie Lane

about gently appreciating and helping his 90-year-old sister who chooses to continue taking care of her livestock. Cherishing the sweet twilight years is easier if caring people can understand what’s really important, and your advice will help get that across. So many dear hearts get institutionalized to help them be “safe.” And by doing so, many older people lose their independence and what makes them unique. — Don’t Break Their Hearts to Save Them

Dear Don’t Break Their Hearts: Thank you for your kind letter. Doing what we love, and having a reason or purpose to get up in the morning each day, keeps all of us healthier at any age.

Dear Annie: It’s a pretty sad sight when visiting coffee shops and restaurants these days.

Here’s a typical scenario: an older couple sitting at a breakfast table, not talking to each other. They are

they say and how they say it. Congratulations on cracking an important code in relationships; namely, the gift of listening. Your sister sounds very wise, and so do you.

Dear Annie: You gave wonderful advice to “One Concerned Brother”

having conversations on their phones, messaging away. Breakfast is served, but they continue texting. After eating, it’s the same thing.

Then you have the younger couple nearby, texting away, putting their legs on nearby chairs. They stop to order food, and then it’s back to texting or scrolling. Breakfast or dinner is served, and they are still texting. After eating, they’re still at it.

My question is, why come together if there is no communication whatsoever? — Flipped Out Flip Phone User

Dear Flip Phone User: You paint a grim picture of restaurants today. While it is true that some couples pay more attention to their phones than to each other when eating out, there are plenty of us who prefer to talk to our dining companions.

When you pay attention to the person opposite you at a table, it is easy to ignore others in the restaurant and not be bothered by their ridiculous behavior. Plus, behavior can be catching. If you choose to pay more attention to your partner than your phone — or than to the diners around you — then others might choose to do the same.

“Ask Me Anything: A Year of Advice From Dear Annie” is out now! Annie Lane’s debut book — featuring favorite columns on love, friendship, family and etiquette — is available as a paperback and e-book. Go to <http://www.creatorspublishing.com> for more information. Send your questions for Annie Lane to dearannie@creators.com.

MARVIN

Mom's employee performance review



Has trouble concentrating.



Mom's employee performance review



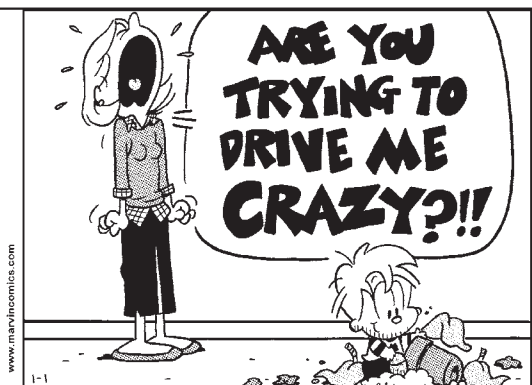
Needs to work on her personal appearance.



Mom's employee performance review



ARE YOU TRYING TO DRIVE ME CRAZY?!!



Has irrational thoughts that people are out to get her.



Mom's employee performance review



IT'S YOUR TURN

DARN!



Resists change.



ALLEY OOP

ARE YOU THE WONMUG OF WONMUG LABS?

NO. I'M DAVE. ALL THE OTHER WONMUGS ASK ME THAT, THOUGH.

HOW MANY OTHER WONMUGS HAVE YOU MET?

TOO MANY.

HERE HE IS, THE HEAD OF WONMUG LABS.

NICE TO MEET YOU, MR. LABS!

DR. ELBERT WONMUG, IT'S ME: ALSO DR. ELBERT WONMUG!

ACTUALLY, I AM ALBERT WONMUG, ELBERT'S SON

GASP! A SON? I'VE ALWAYS WANTED A SON! COME GIVE DADDY A HUG!

NO, I'M THE SON OF ELBERT WONMUG FROM UNIVERSE 201.

OH, YES, OF COURSE.

ACTUALLY, I'M KIND OF RELIEVED. I DON'T KNOW THE FIRST THING ABOUT CHANGING DIAPERS.

WE'RE FROM UNIVERSE 2 AND WE'RE IN A BIT OF A PICKLE. CAN YOU HELP US?

I'LL SEE WHAT I CAN DO. LET ME TAKE YOU TO THE BIG ROOM.

HERE AT WONMUG LABS, WE MANUFACTURE THE MULTIVERSE'S HIGHEST QUALITY PLASMA BALLS.

THIS ROOM ISN'T VERY BIG.

IT'S MUCH BIGGER THAN THE OLD ROOM! THAT ONE WAS TINY!

I DON'T THINK THESE WILL HELP US.

WE'LL TAKE SIX!

ALBERT, WE APPRECIATE YOUR KINDNESS, BUT THIS ISN'T EXACTLY WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR.

WE NEED A LITTLE SOMETHING MORE... POWERFUL.

SAY NO MORE!

TA-DA! MAY I PRESENT THE MARK VII MODEL!

DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING MORE POWERFUL?

SALLY FORTH

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

#2: TAKE TIME TO BE GRATEFUL

YOU KNOW, SO OFTEN WE FOCUS ONLY ON WHAT'S GOING WRONG THAT WE BECOME COMPLETELY BLIND TO ALL THE LITTLE JOYS THAT TRULY MAKE UP OUR LIVES.

ARE...ARE WE REFERRING TO THE FACT WE SUCCESSFULLY MADE GRILLED CHEESE SANDWICHES OR US EACH GETTING OUR OWN CHAIR?

TO THE FACT THAT WE'RE ALL HERE, TOGETHER. BUT ALSO, USING SMOKED GOUBA WAS A MASTER-STROKE.

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

#3: GET ORGANIZED

SO BY "GETTING ORGANIZED" WE MEAN PUTTING THINGS IN SMALL BOXES, PUTTING THOSE BOXES INTO BIGGER BOXES, AND THEN PUTTING THOSE BOXES INTO LARGE BOXES?

IT'S CALLED THE "MATRYOSHKA NESTING DOLL" STRATEGY.

BY THE WAY, I COULDN'T FIND A WORKING MARKER FOR LABELING SO I DON'T KNOW WHAT'S IN WHAT.

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

#4: WAKE UP EARLY TO EXERCISE

IT'S STILL DARK OUTSIDE.

WELL, WE'RE NOT GOING TO EXERCISE OUTSIDE.

WE'RE GOING TO DO IT IN HERE, EVEN THOUGH I CAN'T REMEMBER IF THE PHRASE IS "ALEXA, TURN ON THE LAMPS" OR "ALEXA, TURN ON THE LIGHTS," SO LET'S JUST GO BACK TO SLEEP.

NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

#5: MEET NEW PEOPLE

NO.

BESIDES, WE'RE AT THE POINT IN OUR LIVES WHEN THE ONLY NEW PEOPLE WE'LL MEET ARE THROUGH HILARY'S SCHOOL, AT WORK, OR IN LINE WHEN SOMEONE TURNS AROUND TO START COMPLAINING ABOUT THE LINE AS WE STARE INTO THE MIDDLE DISTANCE HOPING FOR SWEET SILENCE.

ZITS

WHY ARE YOU BEING SO NICE TO US, JEREMY?

NO REASON.

I JUST WANT TO SHOW APPRECIATION FOR THE TWO PEOPLE WHO MEAN SO MUCH TO ME.

...AND PERMISSION TO GO TO A CERTAIN CONCERT.

AH-HA!

SO, I CAN GO TO THE CONCERT WITH MY FRIENDS?

YES.

OKAY!

GREAT.

COOL.

YUP.

OH... IT'S IN CHICAGO.

WHAT?

YOU WANT US TO LET YOU GO TO A CONCERT IN CHICAGO?

AND THEN SPEND THE NIGHT THERE? WITHOUT ADULT SUPERVISION?

WOW, WHEN YOU PUT IT THAT WAY...

...IT SOUNDS LIKE EVEN MORE FUN!

ARE YOUR PARENTS LETTING YOU GO TO THE CONCERT?

THEY'RE CONSIDERING IT.

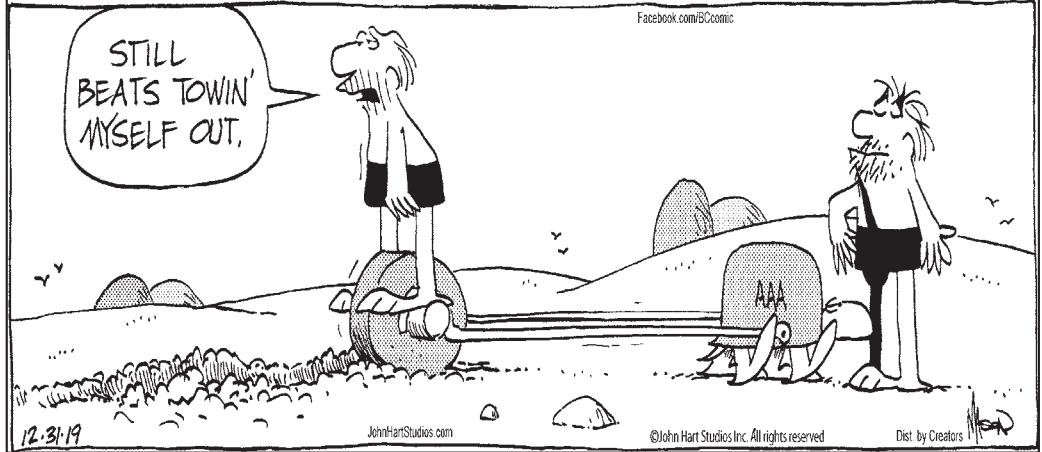
OOH! A TEXT FROM MY MOM. THIS COULD BE IT!

WHAT'S IT SAY?

I'D SAY THAT'S A QUALIFIED "YES."

B.C.

STILL BEATS TOWN' MYSELF OUT.



BLONDIE

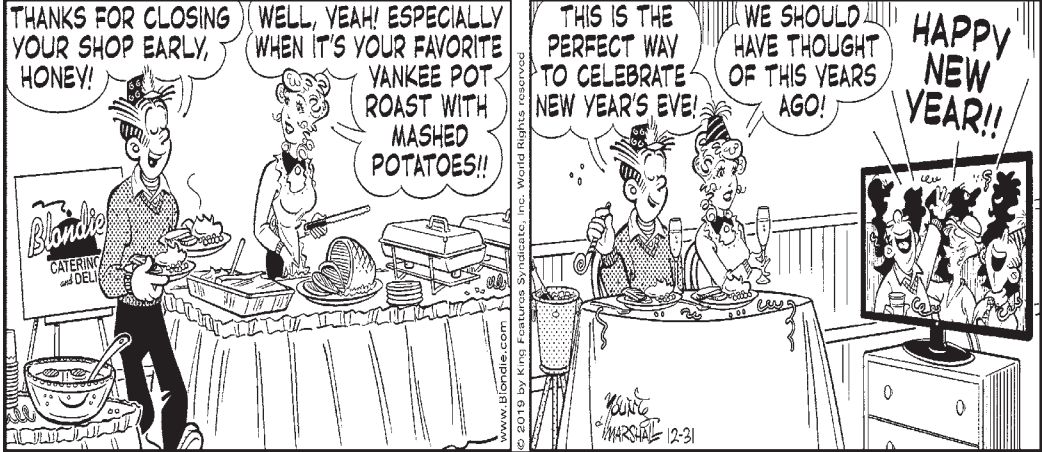
THANKS FOR CLOSING YOUR SHOP EARLY, HONEY!

WELL, YEAH! ESPECIALLY WHEN IT'S YOUR FAVORITE YANKEE POT ROAST WITH MASHED POTATOES!!

THIS IS THE PERFECT WAY TO CELEBRATE NEW YEAR'S EVE!

WE SHOULD HAVE THOUGHT OF THIS YEARS AGO!

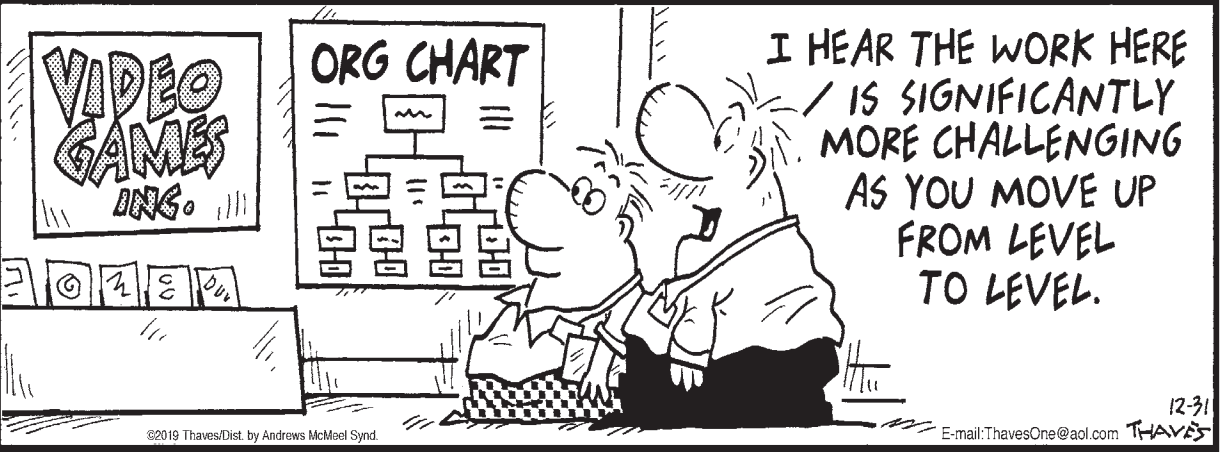
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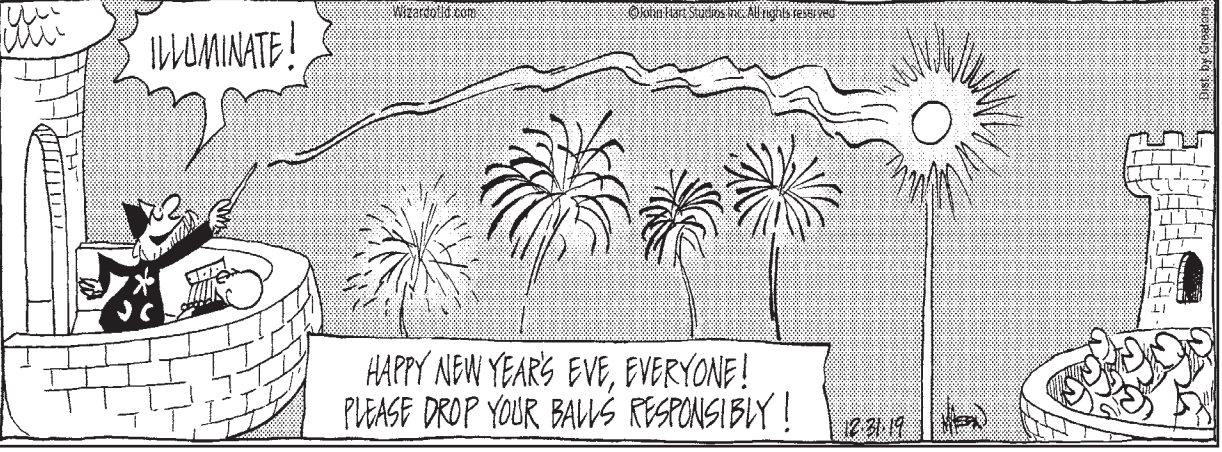
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GRIZZWELLS



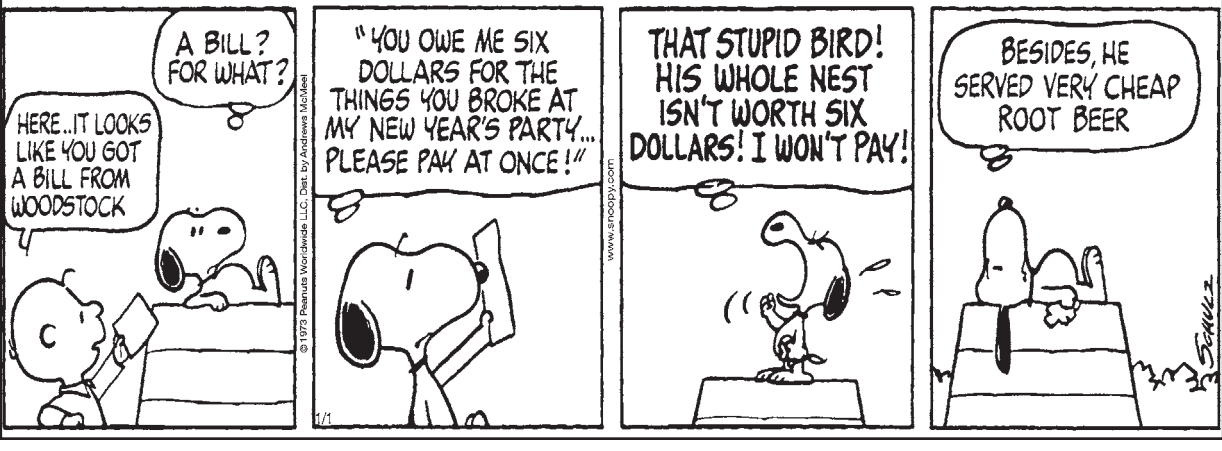
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GARFIELD



PEANUTS



CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 Extremist sect

5 Roman historian

9 Mr. Damone

12 Pittsburgh river

13 Liniment target

14 Gladiator's hello

15 Magnificence

16 Went flat

18 Bought some stuff

20 Oater extras

21 Guided

22 "The," to Wolfgang

23 Greek epic poet

26 Shoe sizes

29 Language suffix

30 "Once — a Time"

32 Last word

34 Fr. miss

36 Abominable Snowman

38 Baja gold

39 Furry swimmers

41 Microsurgery tool

43 Step on it

44 Go-aheads

45 Parking attendant

48 Fair treatment

52 Make too warm

54 Sooner city

55 Charged particle

56 Bahrain VIP

57 Hayworth of old movies

58 Molecular bio. topic

59 Run the show

60 Flower holder

DOWN

1 Ticket-givers

2 Klutz's cry (hyph.)

3 Airport vehicle

4 Fall

5 Put cargo on board

6 Frosted a cake

7 Channels 2-13

8 Barked

9 Dye vessels

10 Currier's partner

11 Grant

17 Major artery

19 Pizarro's conquest

22 Force

23 Skirt bottom

24 King Harald's capital

25 Liquefy

26 Misfortunes

27 Med. plans

28 Dried up

31 Ceremonial fire

33 Postal creed word

35 Outer space

37 Sorts

40 One or the other

42 Fall blooms

44 Outlandish

45 Emptiness

46 Cosmetics brand

47 Actress — Olin

48 Slammer

49 J in JFK

50 Commend

51 Wax-coated cheese

53 Outback bird

ACROSS

1 Mr. Hanks

4 Danson or Kennedy

7 Pen fluids

11 Citrus drink

12 Norse king

14 Opossum's gripper

15 Rug

16 Reebok rival

17 Forage holder

18 Caulked

20 Keep out of sight (2 wds.)

22 Just scrape by

23 Our sun

24 Dark brown

27 Off and on

30 Floors

31 Furniture buy

32 Baby lion

34 Cousteau's domain

35 Be different

36 Ad award

37 Get ready to play again

39 Breakfast item

40 World Series mo.

41 Take a mate

42 Eye part

45 Astronaut's supply

49 Not up yet

50 Raise crops

52 All-purpose truck

53 Earring site

54 Threat ender

55 Beluga product

56 Misgiving

57 Caesar's law

58 And, in Berlin

DOWN

1 Shooting marbles

2 Comics dog

3 Huge, in combos

4 Kansas capital

5 Dodge

6 Beaver project

7 In a class by —

8 Carpentry item

9 1,000 grams

10 Snaillike

13 Tamper with

19 Luau attire

21 Greek letter

24 Mr. Walton

25 Basin companion

26 Dumas senior

27 Auto maker

28 NCAA Bruins

29 Nobelist — Alvarez

31 Georgia O'Keeffe Museum site (2 wds.)

33 Plant sci.

35 Minor weakness

36 "Wild West" showman

38 Amazement

39 Type of cuisine (hyph.)

41 Not as good

42 Baby elephant

43 Orchestra member

44 Singer — McEntire

46 Meditation guide

47 British prep school

48 Must-have

51 Bar none

SUDOKU

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DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★★★

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		4	8	3				2
			6					8

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PREVIOUS SOLUTION

1	3	5	7	2	6	9	8	4
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9	5	2	6	7	8	3	4	1
3	6	1	4	5	2	8	9	7
4	8	7	3	1	9	5	2	6

HOW TO PLAY:

Each row, column and set of 3-by-3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 through 9 without repetition.

SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★★★

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			3	6		9		
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9	6	3	1	5	7	8	2	4
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2	7	8	4	9	3	5	6	1
3	8	7	5	2	1	6	4	9
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BRIDGE

IF NOT BRAVE, DEFEND CAREFULLY

A.N. Onymous said of radio: “Wire telegraph is a kind of a very, very long cat. You pull his tail in New York, and his head is meowing in Los Angeles. Do you understand this? And radio operates exactly the same way: You send signals here; they receive them there. The only difference is that there is no cat.”

Yesterday, we looked at a deal in which one defender had to anticipate how declarer would try to make his contract and how he could thwart him. Today, though, one defender must rely on his partner’s broadcasting the right defense. What happens in four spades after West leads the diamond two?

South followed the modern style when nonvulnerable, especially against vulnerable opponents, of pre-empting one level higher than recommended by his grandmother. After North raised to four spades, East was persuaded by the vulnerability not to intervene with four no-trump, which would have shown at least 5-5 in any two of the unbid suits. That would have probably resulted in West’s playing in five hearts doubled. How would that have turned out?

East correctly read the diamond two as a singleton. So, he won with his ace and returned a diamond for partner to ruff -- but which one?

East sends a suit-preference signal to tell his partner which suit to lead at trick three. Here, East would like a club, so he returns the diamond six, his lowest, asking for the lower-ranking of the other two side suits. Then four spades goes down two.

Five hearts by West fails if North leads a trump at trick one, or at trick two after cashing the spade ace.

AWARD WINNERS OF LAST YEAR

Each year, the International Bridge Press Association gives awards in various categories. The winner of the Keri Klinger Declarer Play of the Year was Michael Whibley from New Zealand. The journalist was Liam Milne from Australia. The deal occurred during a teams event in Sydney.

How did Whibley play in three no-trump after West led the spade jack? Three clubs was Puppet Stayman, asking for a five-card major. Three diamonds denied one.

Declarer had six top tricks: three spades, one

North 12-31-19

♠ A 2

♥ 9 7 4

♦ K J 8 3

♣ A K Q 10

West East

♠ 6 5 ♠ 9 4 3

♥ K 10 6 5 2 ♥ A Q J 8 3

♦ 2 ♦ A 10 9 7 6

♣ J 9 7 5 4 ♣ —

South

♠ K Q J 10 8 7

♥ —

♦ Q 5 4

♣ 8 6 3 2

Dealer: South

Vulnerable: East-West

South West North East

3♠ Pass 4♠ All Pass

Opening lead: ♦ 2

North 01-01-20

♠ A 9

♥ K Q 10

♦ 6 5 4

♣ J 10 8 6 5

West East

♠ J 10 6 4 ♠ 7 3 2

♥ J 9 8 5 ♥ A 6 2

♦ K Q 9 7 ♦ J 10 3 2

♣ 3 ♣ Q 9 7

South

♠ K Q 8 5

♥ 7 4 3

♦ A 8

♣ A K 4 2

Dealer: South

Vulnerable: North-South

South West North East

1NT Pass 3♣ Pass

3♦ Pass 3NT All Pass

Opening lead: ♠ J

diamond and two clubs. If the clubs could be played without loss, that would make life easy. But if he conceded a club trick, surely the defenders would shift to diamonds, and the contract would fail unless West had led from jack-10-third of spades. Whibley spotted a clever deceptive play. He let the spade jack take trick one!

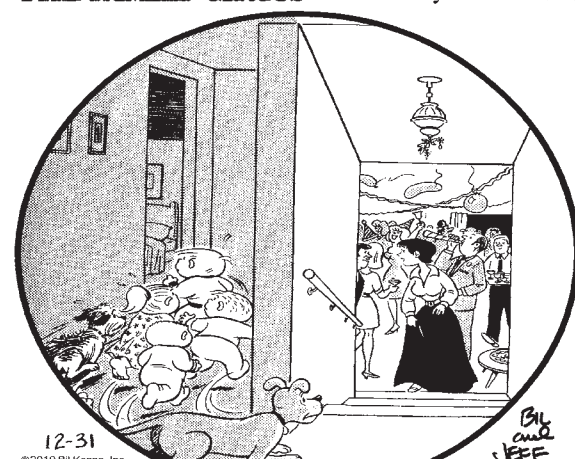
West understandably played another spade. Declarer then played three rounds of clubs. This was the defense’s last chance to find the diamond shift, but East, still under the trick-one idee fixe, played another spade. Then Whibley established his ninth trick in hearts.

Did Whibley’s team gain a game swing? Not quite! At the other table, South opened one club, showing 16 or more points, and West unwisely doubled, promising a major two-suiter. When North ended in three no-trump, East led the heart two. Declarer then played the club suit correctly and ended with 11 tricks. So Whibley’s team lost two international match points.

FAMILY CIRCUS

THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane



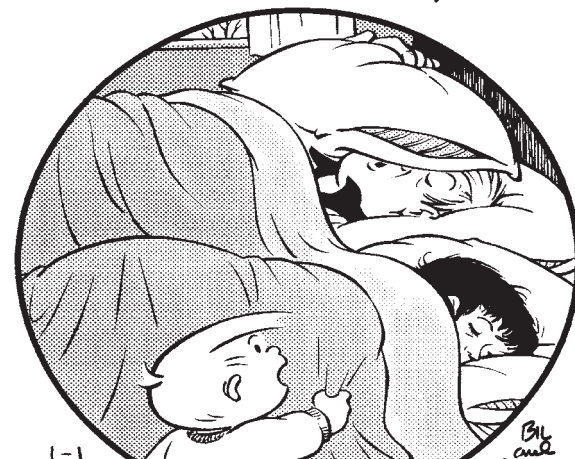
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“I’ll be back as soon as I check on the children.”

THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane



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“Did 2020 get here all right?”

CIPHER

CELEBRITY CIPHER
by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

“ X U ’ E K D U N D V I J H N I D K W M M D J I R L W
D B V N R U M D J H R K R H Y J X B W . U N W R B U
D P X U X E U D L W W A R Z D D S N W R B U . ”
— T D K X I X U H N W C C

Previous Solution: “If you’re gonna sing meaningful songs, you have to be committed to living a life that backs that up.” — Joan Baez

TODAY’S CLUE: A sjenba S

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by Luis Campos

Celebrity Cipher cryptograms are created from quotations by famous people, past and present. Each letter in the cipher stands for another.

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X R R S E R G P B X . ” — Y U V R N W J P B X

Previous Solution: “It’s not how much money you make or what you can acquire. The art of it is to keep a good heart.” — Joni Mitchell!

TODAY’S CLUE: A sjenba S

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ACROSS

1 Polar bear perch

5 Diamond Head site

9 Carp

12 Verdi’s princess

13 Reynolds or Gosling

14 Flow back

15 Slue

16 Radar spot

17 Bakery item

18 Vienna’s locale

20 Rubber tree sap

22 Collide with

23 Carry with difficulty

24 Clad like a superhero

27 Colombia’s capital

30 Turing or Ladd

31 Beach top

32 Conflict

34 Dowel

35 — -com

36 Salmon variety

37 Forgo

40 Name for a cow

41 Cat’s foot

42 Chat

43 Absorb data

46 Souvenir

50 Small business mag

51 Low-cal

53 Muddy the waters

54 Wood ash product

55 Latin 101 word

56 Ocean bird

57 Youngster

58 Genteel one

59 The Banana Boat Song (hyph.)

DOWN

1 Horse bean

2 Place

3 Works by Keats

Answer to Previous Puzzle

T	O	M		T	E	D		I	N	K	S
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Answer to Previous Puzzle

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ACROSS

1 Mollusk

5 Oz. or lb.

8 Place to winter

11 Tanker

13 Sarcastic retort

14 Do a takeoff

15 Coast along

16 Vast

18 Gross

20 Lax

21 Port near Kyoto

23 After taxes

24 Get tangled

25 Black-and-white snack

27 Bettor’s concern

31 Luau strings

32 Grabs

33 Rani’s wear

34 Bill of fare

36 Promise

38 Stylish

39 Type of appeal

40 Actress — Sedgwick

41 Countdown number

42 Work by Keats

44 Papas or Dunne

46 Seaweed

49 “Hawkeye” Pierce

50 Standing in line

52 Urged on

56 Floor covering

57 Right, to a mule

58 All geared up

59 Fabric meas.

60 Doze off

61 Swell, as a river

DOWN

1 Machine tooth

2 Dogpatch’s — Abner

3 MacGraw of the movies

4 Radio and TV

5 Nautical greeting

Answer to Previous Puzzle

6	L	o	n	d	o	n	e	r	’	r	a	i	n	w	e	a	r	,	b	r	i	e	f	f	y
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Answer to Previous Puzzle

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28	P	y	t	h	i	a	s	’	f	r	i	e	n	d								
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53	M	o	o	g	o	o	—	p	a	n												
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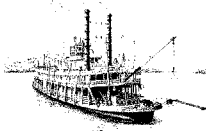
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What would January be without a little snow? This one put a blanket of beauty on the streets. (Staff photo by Trenton Scroggins)

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"You're like Clint Eastwood: You made my day," said Retired Indiana State Police Colonel Bob Cline to ISP Superintendent Douglas Carter and old friend Jim White in a visit a few weeks before Cline's death. Cline served southeastern Indiana among other posts. (Staff photo by Trenton Scroggins)



Madison Lady Cubs swimmer Val Gonzalez (above in the butterfly), a foreign exchange student from Argentina, wins IHSAA sectional championships in both the 50-yard freestyle and the 100-yard butter fly.



Led by senior guard Cam Fails (inset), NCAA Division III Preseason All-American and Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference and Great Lakes Region Player of the Year, Hanover College men's basketball went 21-7 and 14-4 mark in HCAC, winning the league tourney and advancing to a second straight NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament

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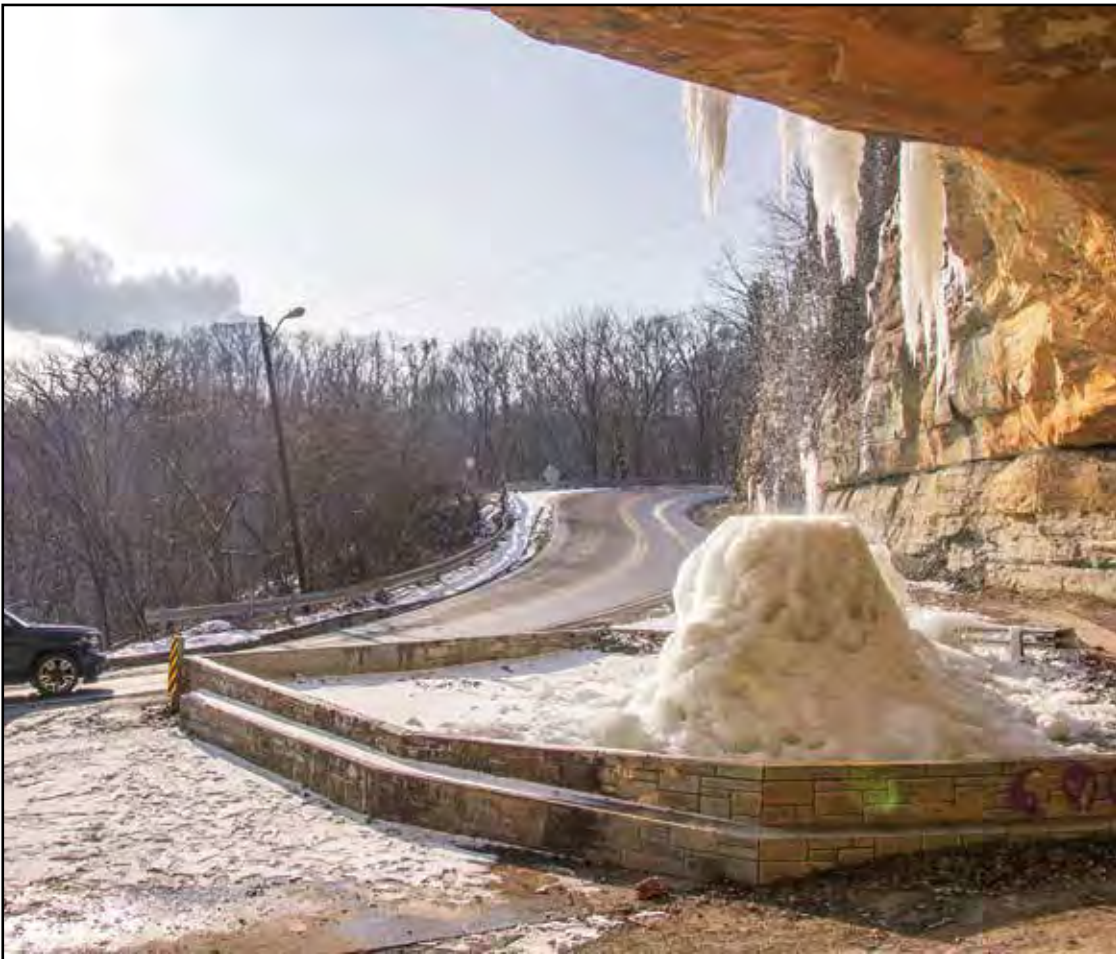
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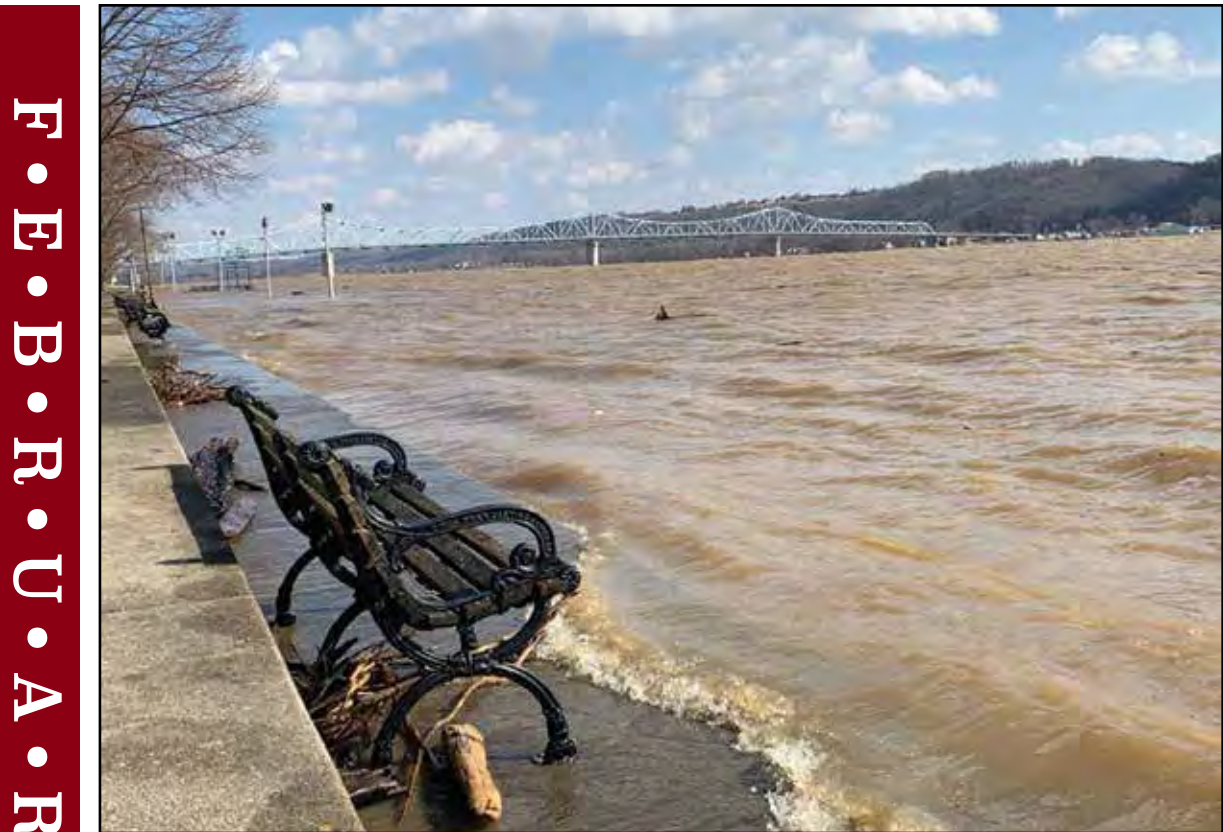
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Hanging Rock Hill slowly thawed and dripped back to normal as winter started to loosen its grip after leaving its annual mark. (Staff photos by Trenton Scroggins)



The Ohio river white-capped as sustained western winds of 20 to 30 mph, with frequent gusts to around 40 mph, brushed against the river's currents, sending waves toward the Madison shore-line. Markland Locks and Dam lock master Gary Birge said the sight is a common phenomena that the high waters and heavy winds make more visible. Birge explained that the higher waters provided a greater surface area for the winds to act on, adding, "every time you get high water and high winds, you'll get a little of that." The river crested around this time a little shy of flood levels earlier in the month. (Submitted photo by Nathan Scroggins)

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Led by two-time Courierarea boys basketball Player of the Year Tyler Kramer (inset), Southwestern boys basketball went 25-2 on the season and a perfect 6-0 in teh Ohio River Valley Conference and was ranked No. 1 in Class 2A for much of the season before falling to Tell City 54-48 in the regional semifinals at Paoli. Along the way the Rebels scored wins over Madison (at the Turkey Shoot) Columbus East and Jeffersonville. The other loss was 72-61 to Madison in the championship game of the Jefferson County Invitational.

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Two-time Madison Courier girls basketball player of the year Kate Grote (above) of Shawe averaged 20.6 points per game her senior season and finished her career with 1,244 points, just 57 shy of Claire Higgins' career scoring mark at Shawe — all despite going down with a torn ACL on Jan. 8 at Henryville with four games left in the regular season.



During the funeral precession from Madison to Osgood for Retired Indiana State Police Colonel Robert J Cline, two Madison fire companies held a large American flag above the road while first responders saluted as the procession drove by. (Staff photo by Trenton Scroggins)

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Fireman 3rd Class Willard Irvin Lawson ended his nearly 4,400-mile journey home to the Ohio River valley as citizens stood along the roadsides through Trimble County to Madison’s hilltop in tribute to the young man from Milton who lost his life in the Dec. 7, 1941, attack on Pearl Harbor. (Staff photo by Mark Campbell)

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Led by freshman pitcher Lily Sparks, the sectional MVP, Switzerland County softball went 16-8 and won their first sectional title since 2013 before closing out the season with a loss to Paoli at the Paoli Regional.

A•P•R•I•L

M•A•Y



A gleaming dome on the Jefferson County Courthouse was a reminder to all of the effort that went into rebuilding the historic structure after a massive fire 10 years earlier in in May 2009.



May brought a primary election and the youngest candidate ever to run for mayor, Bryan Hernandez, a Madison High School student. Hernandez confers with his opponent, Julie Berry, on the Democratic ticket as votes are counted. Berry won the nomination. (Staff photo by Elisabeth Moore)

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Former Madison baseball standouts (from left) Bryan Bullington, Chad Liter, Chris Bass and Nick Griffith take a picture with Harold Peewee Lakeman (center) while in town for the 20th anniversary of the Cubs 1999 Class 2A state championship win



Vicki Wehner (far left), of the Jefferson County Soil and Water Conservation District and volunteers Joe Robinson and Linda Sloffer tackled pollinator projects throughout Jefferson county.



Trimble County sophomore Ryan Long (above) won the 100 meters and was second in the 200 at the KHSAA Class A track & field state finals in Lexington.

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Students at Crothersville Jr/Sr High School created a pollinator habitat at one of the town’s parks as the movement to nurture the environment spread through the area because of the efforts of volunteers.



Workers used an excavator to demolish part of a house on Indiana 56 to make room for the new Milton-Madison Bridge approach on U.S. 421 while pallets of rock sat at the site after a historic stone wall was removed in preparation for the work. (Staff photo by Mark Campbell)

J • U • N • E

The long-awaited sculpture to celebrate the bicentennial of Madison started to take shape at the entrance to Bicentennial Park. Sculptor Mike Major from Urbana, Ohio, brought the pieces of the sculpture to the city along with his tools to put the parts of the artwork in place and add finishing touches. The combined smokestack and bench have been made possible by the Bicentennial Legacy Gift Committee. Meant to look like the smokestack of a steamboat, the ceramic tower is built with a 3-D mural depicting things representing Madison. The bench is big enough for people to sit on with bronze statues of two children and a pig at one end, reading a book. Formal dedication of the sculpture was July 26. (Staff photo by Mark Campbell)



A new clock to keep the time of Madison was put in place across from the Broadway Fountain, thanks to the Rotary Club. (Photo by Connor Jacobs)



The inaugural trip on the Ohio River Recreation Trail came through Madison as it headed for its Louisville destination. The initiative was undertaken by members of Louisville’s River City Paddlesports and Cincinnati’s Paddlefest organizers to support and encourage people to explore the Ohio River from water, or land, and to find recreational adventure locally. (Photos submitted by Nina Campbell)

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Gov. Eric Holcomb presented the Indiana Governor's Cup to HomeStreet/Miss Madison driver Jimmy Shane after Shane won both the Governor's Cup and the APBA Gold Cup at the 2019 Madison Regatta in July. Shane went on to also win the H1 Unlimited season points championship.



Contestants for the 2019 Miss Madison Regatta Pageant gathered for a photo at Gallery 115 Madison. The group included reigning 2018 Miss Madison Regatta Karrington True (front) and (from left): row one — Kaylan Anderson, Claudia May, Caitlyn Baker and Makayla Christian; row two — Keisey Preocanin and Caitlin Reece; back row — Jesse Mays, Prezley Hartman and Kennedy Easton. Jordan Ray is absent from the picture. The pageant was later at North Madison Christian Church. (Staff photo by Mark Campbell)



A Shriner greeted onlookers in the annual Madison Regatta Parade.



A nighttime view of the riverbank showed the carnival rides, the tents and the other festivities. (Staff photo by Mark Campbell)

J•U•L•Y

J•U•L•Y



Al Cochran and Kevin Coppage (above) were at the head of the honor guard line during a memorial service at the Grandview Memorial Gardens Mausoleum. The honor guard, arriving on the Major Samuel Woodfill American Legion Post No. 9 bus, faithfully said farewell to and honored the veterans of the community all year long. (Staff photo by Trenton Scroggins)



4-H members and their four-legged friends were in the spotlight for the competition at the Jefferson County 4-H Fair. The dog agility program is based on guidelines from the American Kennel Club rules. The canines had to be at least 17 months old and also had to show in obedience training to be eligible for the agility competition. These photos of club members and their furry friends were taken by Haniah Kring, a member of the Home Grown 4-H club, who participates in the 4-H Photography project.

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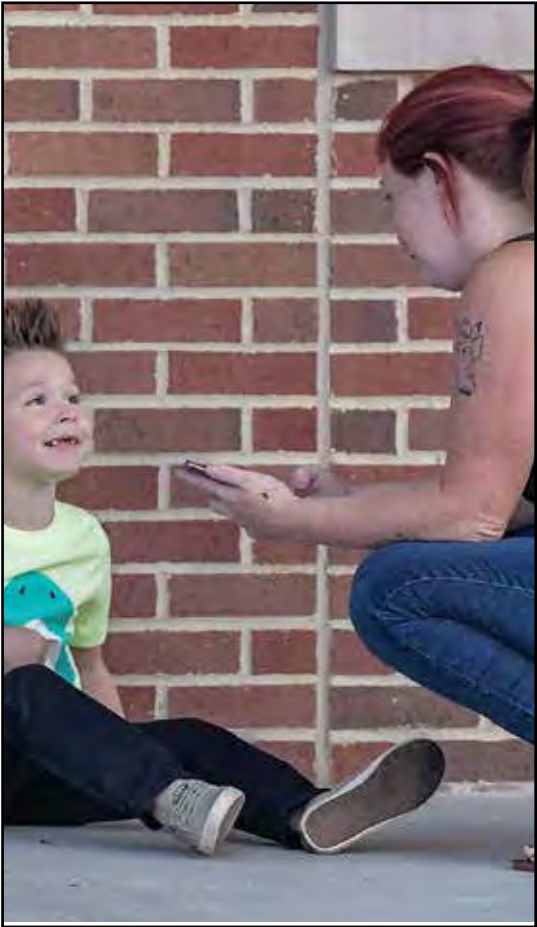
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Diane McKinney, Trimble resident and leader of the opposition to the sludge farm, pulled one of the last “Ban Sludge” signs on U.S. 421. The proposed waste farm would have been just an earshot from her home. (Staff photo by Collin Overton)



Angel Gallaher talks with older son Tristan (left) while dropping Tristan off for first day of kindergarten at Anderson Elementary School.



Madison Fire Station 4 Captain James Thomas (top photo) breaks into a vehicle that had driven into the Ohio River to rescue the man inside. Thomas (below) holds the head of the driver above water and swims for shore as Patrolman Zackery Nicholson (right) tends to the life line and Detective Ricky Harris swims away from the vehicle. (Staff photo by Mark Campbell)

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Madison sophomore golfer Keara Eder (left) congratulates an opponent after finishing first at the IHSAA Madison Girls Golf Sectional. She went on win a playoff at regional for the right to advance to the state finals.



La Casa Amiga's Hispanic Cultural Awareness 2019 was a huge success, with a crowd of up to 800 enjoying music, dancing and having the option of 10 vendors, including authentic Hispanic home cooking. Shirley Kloepper, program director for La Casa Amiga, said the event drew mostly from Jefferson and Scott counties in Indiana and Trimble County in Kentucky. (Photos submitted by Shirley Kloepper)

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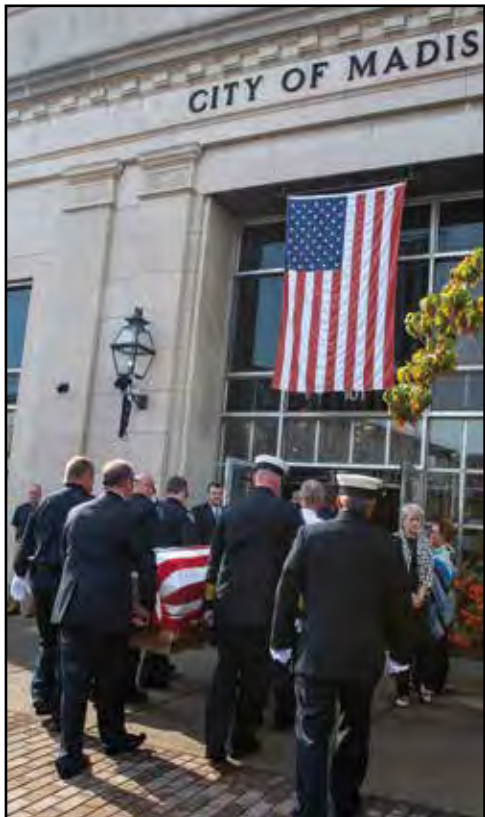
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The community came together to honor and remember Madison Mayor Damon Welch after his unexpected death. An honor guard carried his casket into city hall for a visitation with city workers and community officials. U.S. Air Force Airman Chardonnay Burns presented the flag from his casket to his family at the Indiana Veterans Memorial Cemetery. Welch was a retired Air Force captain. (Staff photos by Mark Campbell)



Madison held the official groundbreaking for a \$21 million project to renovate the 1884 Cotton Mill on the Ohio River into a boutique Fairfield by Marriott hotel and conference center. A lone shovel (below) stands at the site of Saturday's groundbreaking ceremony to launch the renovation of the 1884 Cotton Mill building into a \$21-million boutique hotel. The project was one of Welch's top goals in office and the groundbreaking came three days after his unexpected death.



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Madison's boys soccer team went 12-7-2 on the season and won its first sectional championship since 2010 before losing to eventual state champion Evansville Memorial in the regional finals.



Jefferson County officials picked up a \$987,940.90 check from Gov. Eric Holcomb to fund road improvements through the Next Level Roads: Community Crossings Initiative. Pictured (from left): Jefferson County Road Superintendent Robert Phillips, Holcomb, County Commissioner Robert Little, and State Rep. Terry Goodin (Staff photo by Mark Campbell)

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Madison High School and Evansville College basketball great Larry Humes (left) was inducted by the Small College Basketball Hall of Fame.

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It was smiles all around as the Deputy Fire department received a \$500,000 to help rebuild after a blaze in late 2018 destroyed its building and most of the equipment.



Madison Mayor-elect Bob Courtney talked to his supporters while making his victory speech at Republican Party Headquarters election night while wife, Tammy, looked on. Courtney had been selected by the Jefferson County Republican Party to fill the unexpired term of Mayor Damon Welch. (Staff photo by Mark Campbell)



Madison girls basketball (top) won its eighth straight Victory Bell and Southwestern boys basketball claimed its third straight Old Oaken Bucket in a Turkey Shootout split.

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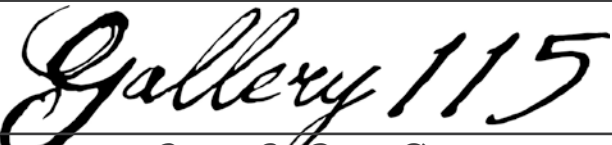
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Hanover College football players dump a water cooler on head coach Matt Theobald after the Panthers finished off an undefeated season in the Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference to earn a second consecutive trip to the NCAA Division III National Tournament. Hanover lost its opening round game at No. 1 Mount Union, Ohio, to finish the season with a 9-2 record.

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The City of Madison's Bicentennial Park was the focus of holiday festivities when the park opened to the public as the Wonderland in the Park complete with Christmas lights, an ice skating rink, a giant walk-in snow globe, a carousel and a visit by Santa and holiday characters. Wonderland was free but donations are accepted. (Staff photo by Mark Campbell)

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Crowds lined the streets for the city’s annual Very Merry Madison Christmas Parade. Floats, businesses and bands moved through Main Street in Downtown Madison. (Staff photo by Mark Campbell)



Santa and Mrs. Claus were in 2019 —as always — the highlight of the Merry Christmas Parade.

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